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POETRY.

The Baby's Prayer.

She knelt with her sweet hands folded,
Her fair little head bowed low,
While dead vines tapped at the window
And the air was thick with snow.
Without, earth dumb with winter;
Within, hearts dumb with care;
And up through the leaden silence
Rose softly the baby's prayer.

"Bless all whom I love, dear Father,
And help me be good," she said;
Then, stirred by a sudden fancy,
She lifted the shining head.
Did she catch on the frozen maple
Some hint of the April green,
Or the breath of the woodland blossoms,
The drifts of the snow between?

"The beautiful trees," she whispered,
"Where the orioles used to sing,
They are tired of the cold, white winter,
Oh, help them to grow in spring;
And the flowers that I loved to gather,
Lord, bring them again in May;
The dear little violets, sleeping
Down deep in the ground to-day."

Ah, earth may be chill with snowflakes
And hearts may be cold with care,
But wastes of a frozen silence
Are crossed by the baby's prayer;
And lips that were dumb with sorrow
In jubilant hope may sing.
For when earth is wrapped in winter
In the heart of the Lord 'tis spring.

A Slight Mistake.

Gray and ice-cold the twilight had darkened over the Stone Tower, until the ruddy glow of the fire became insufficient to dispel the creeping shadows, and Nannie brought in the lamp.

It was a great, low-ceiled room, with an antique-carved cornice and a wainscot of oak which reached above Nannie's shoulder—a room where the faded crimson hangings shut out the dying daylight, and the pattern of the carpet had long become indistinguishable.

And the three blooming, bright-eyed young girls in this ancient room seemed as much out of their element as a cluster of rosebuds would have been lying on an Egyptian sarcophagus. But Col. Copely liked seclusion and antiquity. Moreover he liked economy. And when he brought his three motherless daughters down to the Stone Tower, he grimly gave them to understand that they too must teach themselves to like these three aspects of life.

"There's one thing," Col. Copely, who was a man-hater, added to himself, "they'll get no beaux here! No girl ought to dream of a beaux until she is twenty-five years old, at the very least!"

Which was rather hard on Ada and Nannie, who were nineteen and seventeen, and had their pretty heads full of vague visions of love and letters. And even little Bess, the youngest, who had barely turned fifteen, had an imaginary ideal in her brain, with dark, melancholy eyes and a brow like ivory, which she hoped one day might be realized in a suitor.

And upon this windy March night, when Col. Copely was in the city, and Miss Baird, the governess, was confined to her room with an attack of inflammatory rheumatism, Ada and Nan were going to a surreptitious party.

"Of course papa wouldn't let us go if he were at home," said Ada.

"And we couldn't manage it if Miss Baird wasn't laid up, either," sagely added Nan.

"But everything happens for the best," said Ada. "Do look at this lovely, gold-colored silk, Nan. Wasn't it good of Mary Sinclair to lend us the three dresses to choose from? I think I'll wear the gold-colored silk, with this black lace mantle."

"And I," said Nan, who was pink and plump, with china-blue eyes and radiant, bronze-brown hair, "shall wear the white, all brocaded over with pink rose-buds, and the rose-colored satin slippers. Oh, Ada darling"—pouncing upon her sister with a little, ecstatic kiss—"we sha'n't know ourselves, shall we?"

"Couldn't I go, too?" pleaded Bess, whose gypsy beauty gleamed in between the apple-bloom faces of her sisters like a Jacqueminot rose among white moss-pinks. "Couldn't I wear the pretty garnet silk that you've neither of you chosen?"

"Nonsense!" cried Ada. "You are only a child, Bess!"

"I shall be sixteen in nine months," urged Bess. "And I'm almost as tall as you and Nan. And I never, never was at a grown-up party in my whole life!"

"Bess," said Nan, with autocratic severity, "hold your tongue. It's quite out of the question. You are to stay here with Miss Baird—"

"But Miss Baird is always asleep in the evening!" whimpered Bess.

"So much the better for you!" pronounced Nan. "And you can look after the house."

"The house won't run away," pouted Bess, still rebellious.

"That isn't the question under discussion," said Ada. "Get the work-basket now, like a darling, and help us tuck up these dresses a little, for Mary Sinclair is at least half a head taller than we are. And there is no time to lose!"

Bess drew a deep sigh and obeyed.

"Why was it," she argued within herself, "that she must always be put down and snubbed, and kept in the background, because she was the youngest, and wore short frocks and her hair braided in two Chinese tails down her back? If ever she was a grown-up young lady, she'd show them!"

But Bess got a little better natured when she was allowed to make waffles her ownself for tea, in the absence of Eliza, their sole domestic, (whose brother had bethought himself to fall of fever, half a mile or so up the mountain, at this auspicious time, of all others), and to select a jar of raspberry jam by way of accompaniment.

For Bess, tall though she was, had not quite outgrown the age of tea-sets and delight in playing at housekeeping. And she arranged the tea-rose buds in her sister's hair, and gave the last dainty touch to their dresses—Bess was a born lady's-maid, the girls declared, laughing,—and looked regretfully after them, as, with their splendor all shrouded in black serge cloaks, they hurried down the frozen road, two merry, fleeting shadows.

"Oh dear!" said Bess, aloud, "how I wish I was going, too!"

Then she winked the tears down, and ran back into the oak-wainscoted room, where the lamp still glowed, and the logs blazed and snapped on the hearth, so hurriedly that she never once remembered Ada's farewell caution as to the locking and double-locking of the outer door.

Miss Baird was asleep, after her supper and her medicine. There was no use going to her for companionship; for she snored and slept with her mouth open, and was not in the least an ideal slumberer. And the kitchen was very lonesome without Eliza, and even the cat was too drowsy to purr or frolic with a ball of knitting-yarn.

"What shall I do?" said Bess. "Oh, I know! I'll try on the garnet silk dress, and fancy I'm a grown-up young lady going to a ball!"

She was walking up and down the floor, trying to see herself in the old Venetian mirror that hung above the tall, wooden mantel, when the creaking of a board in the hall startled her. Flying to the door, garnet silk, train and all, she came face to face with a man.

"I beg your pardon!" he said, apologetically; "but you did not hear the knock, and—"

"What do you want?" cried Bess, all in a panic. "Go away, at once!"

"I called to see if the young ladies—"

Bess waited to hear no more. Vague ideas of peddlers, tramps, burglars, midnight assassins, floated through her brain.

"Yes," said she with assumed coolness, "they are at home. Please walk in.'

And, opening the nearest door, she motioned him to enter. As it was dark therein, how was he to know that it was the coal-cellar, or that the next minute the door would be shut and bolted upon him?"

"There!" cried Bess, exultantly, her dark eyes shining like balls of fire, her cheeks turned from deadly pale to glowing red.

"But stop a minute!" pleaded a stifled voice from the other side of the door. "There's a mistake. I wish—"

"Yes," said Bess, "there is a mistake! You are mistaken in supposing that I am to be imposed upon. Now, stay there until I call the coachman and the two stable-hands, and unloose the dog!"

(Which four last, be it understood, were entirely a fiction of Miss Bess's imagination).

She stood a second or so, to consider Miss Baird must not be excited or disturbed—at least, so the doctor said. Beside, of what use could Miss Baird possibly be?

"I'll go for the girls," said Bess. "I'll be at the ball, after all!"

So, folding a shawl about her pretty, taper shoulders, away she shot, like an arrow, quite heedless of the lace-lined train of the garnet silk dress.

Hazel Hill, where the ball was being held, was not more than a quarter of a mile from Stone Tower, and, lighted from garret to cellar, it presented a very pretty sight to Bess's wondering eyes.

She posted herself on the veranda, just where a casement had been opened to cool the perfumed atmosphere of the dancing-room, and there, with big, sparkling eyes and cherry cheeks, half hidden by the shawl drawn over her head and ears, she watched to catch a glimpse of Ada and Nan.

They were dancing. Bess would scarcely have known them, so radiant they seemed—their exquisite borrowed dresses set off by lights, their faces flushed by happy excitement—and at last Ada sat down by this very open casement, smiling and fanning herself, while her partner hurried to bring her some refreshments.

All of a sudden a cold little hand fell on her dimpled shoulder. She started and looked around.

"Bess! Goodness me! it can't be possible?" she exclaimed. "What on earth has brought here? Is Miss Baird dead? Has papa come home?"

"No," answered Bess, sepulchrally. "But I've caught a burglar! Call Nan, and come home at once; because, maybe, he'll break loose."

And so Ada never got the refreshments, and Nan didn't finish her waltz with a whiskered young gentleman from Montreal. And Harry Sinclair, the brother of the hostess, accompanied them back to the Tower, with the tallest of the waiters, two revolvers, and a blackthorn stick which would have done credit to Rory O'More himself.

Thus backed up, Bess drew the bolt, unlocked the door, and called in stern accents to the sequestered victim,—

"Come out, you villain!—come at once!"

Whereupon a tall, rather pleasant-looking young fellow emerged, shivering with the cold, and having the traces of coal-dust on his white shirt-collar and light kid gloves.

"Who are you?" savagely demanded Harry Sinclair.

The gentleman presented his card.

"My name is Safford," said he. "Col Copely requested me to call here and bring his daughters back to New York with me. Here is a letter from him. He has taken a house in Forty-seventh street, and—"

"Goodness me!" gasped Bess, clasping her hands over her eyes. "And I shut him in the coal-cellar!"

For one dread second there was silence, and then they all burst into a peal of contagious laughter, which broke up all ceremony at once, and rendered them all excellent friends.

Mr. Sinclair, with the tall waiter, the revolvers and the blackthorn stick, departed; and Bess, with a little of Nan's amateur assistance, served up an impromptu supper of bread and toasted cheese, which was pronounced a decided success. Eliza returned in a little while, and the household was restored to order.

The next day commenced the packing for removal. Eliza was to remain in the Stone Tower until Miss Baird's convalescence, and the three girls returned to New York with Mr. Safford. And this gentleman, strange to say, appeared to cherish no malice against his fair little jailer.

"On the contrary," said the shrewd Ada, as the season advanced, "I do believe he likes Bess the best of us all, or he would do so if she wasn't such a child."

"But she's growing older and prettier every day," said Nan.

"Yes, she outshines both of us," said Ada, with a laugh.

So that, as the two sisters agreed, there was no telling what might happen one of these days. But if they venture to question Bess herself on the subject, she only laughs and blushes, and coyly hides her face.

"Because, you know, my dear sisters, I'm not a grown up woman yet," says Bess. "On the contrary, I'm 'only a child!'"

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

Shears and Paste-Pot Editor.

Criticism upon the views advocated in these columns is solicited, and any reasonable space will be given correspondents for that purpose, or for the purpose of discussing any subject connected with rural affairs. Communications intended for the Grangers corner should reach this office on Saturday preceding publication.

A FEW THOUGHTS.—I for one am very much pleased that the editor has added an "Agricultural Department" to the ADVERTISER. I consider it a great addition to the value of the paper.

Doubtless two thirds of the subscribers to the ADVERTISER are farmers; and will no doubt furnish abundant materal for this department. By condensing their thoughts as much as possible a great many useful suggestions can appear, even in *one* column.

I would suggest that instead of burying your broken dishes, as mentioned in a former issue, that you lay it aside in a convenient place; and when your turkeys and chickens hatch pound it find, and give them a liberal quantity after each meal. You will find that they will eat it readily. It will make them strong and help their food digest. Some consider boiled eggs are the best food for young turkeys, but I consider sour milk equal if not superior to them. The proper method to make it is:—take a pan of sour milk, pour boiling upon it and turn it into a cloth strainer to drain; after it is drained crumble up and feed. After the turkeys are two or three weeks old you can mix their dough with sour milk which will answer the purpose of card.

After your cellar has been cleaned and all rubbish carried out, lay lime around in the wall and sprinkle on the cellar bottom, where vegetables have been kept, and it will remove all impurities and sweeten the entire cellar so that butter and milk can be kept there with safety. JEM KEEN.

North Rumford.

As soon as the frost is out of the ground all trees planted within a year should be straightened where loosened by frost. Inattention to this point has made all our old orchards lean away from the prevailing winds. The evil is worse as the country grows older, and winds have a free sweep.

The oat crop is too generally treated as of little consequence and often sown late on land not regarded as fit for anything else. So long as this practice prevails the average yield and profit is likely to be very small. The fact that in many places oats are mainly fed to stock leads to this neglect. They are not the crop on which the farmer relies to raise money to pay hired help or to clear off mortgages. But those who give oats good treatment find that the crop is as responsive to good culture and manure as any other.

SEEDING TO GRASS ALONE.—In seeding down to grass by itself there are several advantages. By early sowing in the spring the seed takes much better than in any other way and the growth is more rapid, so that a crop of hay can often be taken the same year. The soil is in better condition at this season for the sowing than at any other time of the year, and the grass takes so firm a hold upon the soil that dry weather in July and August does it no injury. When the grass is sown with grain it is very weak at that time, and a few dry days after the shelter of the grain is lost will totally ruin it. This frequently happens, and is the reason why so many grass seedings with grain fail.

The ground should be as well plowed as for a grain crop, and then thoroughly harrowed until it is perfectly mellow and fine, and yet compactly settled and made firm by the harrow teeth. If the seed is then sown it will fall into the harrow marks, and grow up in rows with spaces between them, which is objectionable for several reasons. To avoid this the harrow should be followed by a brush harrow or a smoothing plank to level the harrow marks and get a smooth, fine surface. The seed may then be sown.

In sowing the seed great care should be used to get an even seeding. Every turn should be overlapped a little to avoid bare strips, and it is easy to do this by observing the marks of the feet at the previous sowing, and keeping the next track even and parallel with this. Only one-half of the seed should be sown one way up and down the field. The other half should be sown across the first sowing and with equal care, and then one may be reasonably sure that the ground is evenly covered. In sowing light seed the early morning, when the air is usually still, should be chosen for the work. Orchard grass, blue grass, and red top should be thus sown. Timothy and clover being heaver, may be sown at any time, unless a strong wind is blowing, in which case the work should be stopped. A good sower may do the work well, even in a wind, by throwing the seed low down and by going across the wind, so that the seed is always carried in the same direction and with the wind.

After the seed is sown it should be covered at once. Every day's work in brush harrowing should be followed the next day with the sowing, and no more should be sown than can be covered in the next day. It is better still to have the covering done by a second man directly after the sower. The covering should be done by a light brush harrow made as follows: Two round poles or light planks, and a quantity of small brush five feet long should be procured. One pole or plank is laid upon the ground, and the brush is laid evenly and smoothly upon the pole; the other pole is laid over the first one, and the two are fastened tightly together with wires, or bolts screwed up closely with nuts, or a light chain may be wound around the poles and drawn tight with a small binder so as to hold the brush. For stumpy ground, the brush may be spread like a fan and two short poles used, and a third one laid across near the ends of the brush and fastened by winding some of the brush around it.

The covering should be done carefully, as it is important to finish the work quite as well as it has been begun. Grass seed thus sown will rarely ever miss, and there will be less complaint of poor soil, which is mostly an excuse for poor work. A farmer who spends $3 an acre for seed should certainly take great care that the money is not lost through imperfect preparation of the ground and poor work in sowing and covering the seed.—*N. Y. Times.*

THE HOUSEKEEPER.

Practical housekeepers throughout this county are requested to send in communications for THE HOUSEKEEPER.

Seeing that our editor has kindly given us a column, I think we should do something towards making it interesting. We may think we cannot write any thing that will interest anyone. Well, if we cannot, let us ask advise upon some point that we do not thouroughly understand. Will some good sister tell me how to make soft soap? I tried last year, and shall I tell you of my trials and discouragements with it? How I put it into my new soap barrel, feeling so proud that I had made my soap before my neighbor had! But, oh horrors! when I went, the next morning, to show my soap to said neighbor, it was simply grease and water or lye just as you please to call it. One thing is certain, soap it was not. If any of you sisters have had a like experience you know how to pity me when my neighbor sat down an laughed at my soap, but finally told me that I must boil it more. That was only the beginning of discourageing days that were to follow. Now, will some sister tell me how to make soap, and not be one whole week about it?

Please tell me what will take black stains out of a black walnut table table; also to brighten zinc under under the kitchen stove? HELEN.

South Paris.

Being interested in housekeeping and hoping that this department will thrive, I want to add my mite to that of others.

The epidemic mentioned in the ADVERTISER, called the "rug fever," as having been so prevelent in Canton, has been almost general in Paris. Now the patients show symtoms of "house cleaning fever." We hope if the sun should shine that in a few days the patients will be *improving*.

Black walnut frames washed with warm water without soap and then rubbed with a woolen cloth and kerosene are much improved in looks.

SPONGE CAKE.—Six eggs beat one minute, add three cups of sugar beat ten minutes, two teaspoonfuls of cream tartar in four cups flour, one teaspoonful soda in one cup of cold water, a little salt, and one teaspoonful essence of lemon; bake in a quick oven.

To clean lamp tubes, boil in ashes and water one hour stiring occasionally.

Linseed oil applied to an oil cloth carpet and then rubbed with a soft woolen cloth without the oil improves it very much, making it look as if recently varnished. HEPSY.

South Paris.

U. S. History in Our Common Schools.

[A paper read by Miss S. Alma Pendexter of Norway, at the spring meeting of the Oxford County Teachers' Association at Oxford.]

It is not surprising that the study of History is sometimes hard and far from interesting, when we consider in how small a degree the text-book is adapted to the learner.

For children in our common schools, it is necessary that facts be presented in the form of a story, as medicine is disguised in sweets; that dates be sparingly used, else the lesson will be learned simply to be repeated in the class-room and there all knowledge ends. Now if the proper history were always found establised in schools, or if it were an easy matter to change the unsuitable ones, a teacher's work would be comparatively easy. But text-books are chosen with too little care. They are highly recommended, they are different from the old ones,—they will do.

It is too much trouble to look them over carefully, so what might have been made right at the start is wrong instead and must be endured by the pupil through blind wanderings over the past four centuries.

He starts out with Columbus, full of interest and courage, because he does not know what is coming. He can tell you the travels of that discoverer and relate the incidents of his first voyage to the new world; he can remember 1492; but when the dates begin to come in so fast, the "London Company," the "Plymouth Company" and "Plymouth Rock" may become sadly mixed—and no wonder.

You who are acquainted with "Swinton's History" know what a dry bundle of statistics it is. I have had much pity for classes when I have seen the time and strength they were spending upon a book whose paragraphs have to be puzzled over like problems of unknown quantities before the meaning even can be reached.

To children there is something very attractice in the heading, "Once upon a time." They feel there is a story at hand when they hear those magic words. Now the very principle extends into study. If a lesson be told in simple style they will remember and tell it to you again.

But what pleasure or knowledge, I ask, can be derived from the following section which is but one of the many unwieldy ones to be found in Swinton's History? "During the whole period of the English Civil war between Chas. I. and Parliament (which broke out in 1642 and resulted in the establishment of the Common-wealth with Oliver Cromwell as Protector) the Virginians remained devoted loyalists. But when Cromwell triumphed he did not treat the Virginians ill." It certainly seems absurd to place such blind dry sentences in a common school history.

A lady related at the convention that one of her pupils said in reciting, "The Spaniards found a land of vague." I believe the sentence being extended, read—they found a land of vague extent or limits. On skilful questioning, she ascertained that he thought "vague" meant *something to eat*,—a fruit of that country, no doubt. He had probably imagined it growing like huge cabbages all over the ground so that the Spaniards could not get around without stumbling.

Now, under the most favorable auspices of perfect text and ready pupils the teacher's work is something more than assigning the lesson. It is to see that each one gives the lesson in his own language, it is to bring in stories from other histories, it is to find illustrations of cities and forts, and war ships, it is to make all as real as possible. They should be required to remember only a few principal dates, around which others will cluster in such a way that the pupil can make no very broad mistake in his estimations.

I would try to make each lesson seem as if it were about *real* people. I would use from Hawthorne's description of Puritan life, from "The Virginians," from all available sources, anything which can instruct and interest, anything which will impress upon their minds the dry facts to be retained or the moral lesson to be enforced. When they tell you stories from the boyhood of Washington and Lincoln, they will be learning that wealth does not make the man, that truth and honesty stand longer than all else.

A little boy in my class last winter had found the well known anecdote of Arnold which closes with these words, "Mr. Speaker, I will not speak while that man is in the house." I called upon the lad and, using his own words, he told it in a manner which was really thrilling. I could have no doubt but that he realized, as did also the whole class, the sad reward of Arnold's treachery, the sure punishment of wrong doing. They never forget these lessons and they gain a moral standard, with which, in after years to measure right and wrong, and thus History performs its highest office of moral teaching

Cunning Maine Foxes.

One morning recently, as I was crossing lots with my hounds, I saw an old fox run into a thicket. I put the dog on his track and concealed myself in the thicket, knowing that a fox will often circle and pick up his old track. I could hear the hound baying off toward New Gloucester. Then it changed and grew more and more distinct, and I knew the fox was returning. I must have waited some half an hour when I saw the fox dart into a hollow log a little distance to my left, but as he went out at the other end I remained in my hiding place, supposing it a trick of the fox to put the dog off his track. The dog was puzzled only an instant and followed the fox on a longer circuit this time, but in the course of an hour I saw it again enter one end of the log and come out at the other. Thinks I, "My chap, I'll play you a Yankee trick by stopping up the farther end of that log." This I did, and again hid myself, hoping for a third return. I was hidden about the same length of time, when, by the voice of my dog, I knew the fox was returning. A few minutes later I saw the fox enter the log. I ran up to the open end and soon had it secured. This being done, I awaited the coming up of the dog, which I tied to a sapling, while I went out to get an axe. I soon got back and opened the hole sufficiently, to see four foxes instead of one. "How was that?" It's plain enough. One fox would run until tired, then would enter the log and another would take his place.

Reminiscences of Greenwood.

BY MARK TAPLEY.

Perhaps many readers of the ADVERTISER may think I have chosen a very uninteresting subject to write on as I am well aware of the stigma that has for some years rested on this unfortunate and broken town. Many a sneering remark have we heard fall from the lips of strangers as they passed through the town and viewed the ragged rocks and meager forests.

But though the face of the country may be mountainous and rough, still there is much fertile and productive land lying in the valleys and on the hill sides. In forty years acquaintance with the people of this town I have ever found them a genial, kind hearted, open handed and affectionate people, such as are generally found in such secluded and byway towns, where the hurry and bustle of business, and constant intercourse with scheming and unscrupulous speculators has not caused them to nearly if not quite forget all save the love of gain.

Some may say why unfortunates. Before I close my sketches I will endeavor to show to the satisfaction of all why I have used this remark. More reasons than one make this spot ever dear to me. Beneath a little mound in a lonely cemetery lie the remains of a once lovely and promising child. Twice yearly the entire family visit this sacred spot. What on earth can awaken such sad and yet fond recollections as a visit to the graves of our lost loved ones!

Of the early history I shall be better prepared to speak by and by. But must commence with my first acquaintance nearly forty years ago. At that time the town contained nearly twice the inhabitants it now does. The farmers were generally in good circumstances and the boys staid at home till of full age and didn't finish their education as soon as they got into their teens, and begin to call their father the old man and their mother by her christian name. No railroad passed through the state. The road from Portland to Montreal was just under way. Many of the boys and young men worked on it through the summer, but were sure to come home in season to attend the winter term of school.

The main road through this town was the great thoroughfare by which all articles of merchandise were transported from Portland to Canada line. The entire way being dotted with hotels at every few miles. Sometimes a train of these big heavy teams could be seen for a long distance and woe to the unlucky weight who fell in their way and happened to incur their displeasure.

The people were greatly elated by the prospect of having a railroad and seemed to have an idea it was going to make them all rich and happy. That horses would be almost out of use and all things lovely.

In my early chidhood I conceived a great love for hills and mountains. The many glowing tales of the almost endless prairies of the Great West had no delusive charms for me. How often during the sunny hours of childhood have I climbed Scribner Hill, accompanied by my faithful little dog Skip, and there for hours together watched and admired the grand lofty mountains; thinking how fine it would be to travel among them and view the sparkling water-falls as they leaped madly down their rugged sides! How I wondered what kind of people lived among them, whether they had churches and schoolhouses like us or were all hermits like the unfortunate Willey family who were buried by an avalanche so many years ago. I was rather doubtful about there being any thing beyond this mountain chain. My childish imagination like Uncle Daniel's extending just as far as my eyesight.

I well remember while traveling through the great valley of the St. Lawrence in Canada, some years ago, how homesick I became. yes, for the first time in my life I was actually homesick. Ah! wasn't it enough for one of my temperament. That everlasting wilderness of whitewashed houses, barns and rail fences all looking just alike. The people all talking just alike (for ought I know.) The road perfectly smooth and hard as a brickyard with not a hill, rock stump, trees or any other object to break that everlasting monopoly of my journey. I even imagined my horse was homesick too, and sometimes bowed his head in silent grief. With what rapture did I behold the lofty peaks of the Green mountain range as they hove in sight once more! Giving Barney a light touch of the whip I threw up my hat and sang at the top of my voice a snatch of a favorite song.

Hurrah! for old New England,
With her cloud-topped granite hills.

Yes, I could truly say with the closing strain of this beautiful song,

"Let me die in old New England,
And sleep beneath her hills."

Pardon my digression, gentle reader. I have a long story to tell and must tell it in my own way or not at all.

I shall never forget the June morning on which I started at break of day on a visit to Greenwood. How my boyish heart was elated with the idea of going among the mountains which I had from my earliest childhood so loved and admired. So elated was I, that I scarcely heeded the good bye of the family, and for the first time turned my back on the home of my childhood. Having a strong powerful horse I soon left my native town far behind. Nothing of particular interest occurred till I came to Norway Village, which for a guess was about one-sixth as large as now. How I stared at the elegantly painted houses and public buildings, imagining that people who lived there must be very rich and have lots of fine things, consequently were very happy.

I halted at the Lake—then called Ford's Corner—for a short rest. A store was kept by Sam'l Favor and a hotel by a man named Hayes. I thought this one of the most lovely places I ever beheld. A crowd of boys of about my own age surrounded me, relating their adventures on and around the pond. among others Chas. Partridge and Jerry Hall rehearsed their annual customary feat of jumping into the water for a swim every November, I think the 22d day. I voted them tough subjects, but jolly good fellows for all that.

At that time the farms in Norway were in a high state of cultivation, full better than now. No scraggly and misshapen fruit trees stood by the roadside; the hedges were all neatly trimmed; no thickets of bushes grew by the fences; everything seemed a pattern of neatness and industry.

Two miles from the Lake I came to another hotel kept by David Noyes, esq. Many of our readers well remember this good old man, who it seems was loved and respected by all who knew him. The work of his hand is still to be seen in some of the trees standing by the roadside, though most of them have, like him, been destroyed by the ravages of time.

From this place to Noble's Corner was mostly a thick heavy growth of stately trees growing very close to the road, their giant branches often interlocked overhead forming a most delightful shade and completely shutting out the sunlight. Amid this forest birds of every description poured forth their joyous notes filling the air with heavenly melody. I alighted, gave my horse some oats and sat down on a mossy knoll to enjoy this lovely scene with more real happiness than I could have derived from a view of the crystal palace or St. Peter's Church.

In my next I will endeavor to give a true and life-like picture of Greenwood City, its inhabitants and environs as they appeared forty years ago, i. e., as far as memory and my feeble pen will permit.

To be continued.

GENERAL NEWS.

The Governor of New York has signed the Oleomargarine bill.

There were 257 deaths from cholera in Calcutta in one week.

The Post Office Appropriation bill was passed by the Senate.

Rev. Dennis Bradley has been created bishop of the new diocese of Manchester, N. H.

A tornado recently at Dallis, Texas, demolished a school house, and severely injured eleven children.

The 109 anniversary of the Battle of Lexington was observed at that town Friday night of last week.

Capt. Henry Appleby and wife are back from South America. His bark is at New York, and they are at Waterford.

The Clifford Law Library in Portland has been sold to Messrs. Little & Brown, law publishers of Boston, and will be removed to that city.

Carrie Gilmore has accepted the challenge of Mabel Sylvester to skate for the Bigelow medal, and the contest will take place at the Worcester rink, May 20th.

Dr. Wm. P. Lapham will write the history of Bethel the coming year. The materials collected by Dr. True for many years, will be placed in his hands to aid him in his work.

The gold medal for the roller skate championship of New England, given by H. H. Bigelow of Worcester, Mass., was won by Russell Porter Clark, a youth of 15, from New Haven, Conn.

There has recently been another terrible tornado in Georgia and Alabama. A number of people were killed and wounded, buildings completely blown away, and much damage done.

The shores belonging to the Penobscot Tribe of Indians on the islands near Oldtown were leased last week Tuesday for a term not exceeding five years, for the purpose of booming and hitching logs.

The Maine Greenback Convention in Lewiston have nominated Dr. H. B. Eaton of Camden for Governor, elected delegates to the National Convention at Indianapolis and indorsed Gen. Butler for President.

Investigations are being made concerning the organization of a stock company for the management of the Sebago Lake excursion business the coming season; also concerning the building of a new and fast sailing steamer.

We copy the following from one of our exchanges;—Hon. C. P. Kimball, formerly of Maine, has an extensive carriage factory in Chicago. Between 100 and 200 men are employed in the factory the year round, and the annual product is about $600,000. Mr. Kimball enjoys home life in an elegant residence on Ontario street, for which he recently refused $100,000. He is still an active member of the Democratic party, and was one of the executive committee who were sent to Washington to present the claims of Chicago as the place for holding the National Democratic Convention.

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"Brownie" tells us of the curse of Chocorua. It is on the fourth page.

Caucus notices of any of the political parties will be given in this paper free of charge. Remember this and send in such notices.

S. R. Hutchins of Rumford advertises his Hambletonion stallion, "Spirit of '76" in another column. This is an excellent horse. He will make the season at the stable of the owner.

With this issue we commence the publication of sketches relative to the past and present of Greenwood by Mark Tapley. There are to be several interesting articles.

We would like to get a correspondent at the following places:—Hiram, Harrison, Brownfield, North Waterford, Kezar Falls, and Canton. Will not some one volunteer? For terms and particulars address this office.

We would suggest to our correspondents that they interview the assessors of their towns and send us in the facts as to the valuation, number of polls, scholars, stock, rate per cent. of taxes, etc. We would like a full report at as early a date as possible.

The Hebron *Semester* for the Spring term is at hand. The following are the editors: Fred V. Mathews, of Woodfords; Roscoe S. Kidder, of Canton; Belle Bridgham, of Buckfield and Hattie A. Hooper, of Paris. Nine are in the Senior class. Class color is silver blue. Sub-senior class numbers 14. The two junior classes 35 and unclassified 17. The school is prosperous. The *Semester* is full of interesting school matters. The Summer term commences May 6th.

The Bethel Savings Bank makes the following report:—

Due depositors,	$97,458.99
Reserve fund,	3,434.22
Profits,	3,286.01
	$104,179.19
Value of property owned,	$107,254.67
Due depositors & other liabilities,	99,859.95
Surplus above all liabilities,	$7,394.72

Rate of interest charged on loans is 6 per cent. Annual expenses, $250.

From the recent bank examiners report of the South Paris Savings Bank, we take the following:—

Due depositors,	$235,865.03
Reserve fund,	4,500.00
Profits,	4,726.94
	$245,092.02
Estimated and market value of property,	$253,642.34
Due depositors & other liabilities,	241,265.08
Surplus above all liabilities,	$12,377.26

Rate of interest charged on loans is 6½ per cent. Annual expenses, $860.

The demand for the ADVERTISER is most gratifying to us. Our present list of subscribers is over 3500 and is rapidly increasing. We are highly pleased with the success thus far attending our newspaper efforts in this county. The circulation of the ADVERTISER has been built up from a few hundred to its present number within the past twenty-two months. We have not the hardihood to claim that the three and a half thousand subscribers, we now have on our books are all yearly advance paying ones, though we hope they may become such, and will ask the friends of our paper to assist us in securing their patronage. A word from you to your friend or neighbor may be the means of getting us a yearly paying subscriber. We hope you will not forget to invite them to become subscribers and thus materially assist us in increasing our list of patrons. For these favors we shall be glad to reciprocate. We wish to make the ADVERTISER *the local* paper of Oxford County. We shall spare no pains or reasonable expense in so doing. We shall not advocate the political claims or merits of any party or allow our paper to enter into any political discussions whatever. Ample space, however, will be given to the reports of caucuses, conventions, etc., which occur in the county. In this all parties will be served alike and as far as possible will be reported impartially. We would call upon all our readers to assist in sending in the local news to this office or bringing it to the attention of our agent and reporter in your vicinity.

[Communication]

License and Prohibition.

There is a right and wrong method pursued in many moral reforms and the latter evidently comes from a perversion of N. T. teachings on the subject that is demoralising and impracticable, as the past has demonstrated. Instead of teaching total depravity, it should be an innate goodness as well as a proneness to self-gratification. Instead of sin being washed out by blood, it is eradicated only by self-knowledge gained by experiences of both good and evil as an educator, producing repentance and good deeds. Instead of Christ's death being a display of God's wrath, according to creeds, it was the highest possible manifestation of His love. Instead of war with its horrors, it was peace and good will. Instead of the gallows, it was forgiveness and charity, etc., etc. Hence we have ever found our public teachers of religion laggards in reforms and the Sciences, that lead to them, joining in only when drawn by public opinion. It is empty pews that influences them to abolish an eternal hell and modify other creedal absurdities. Black has been made to appear white and white black—the ignorant blinded and the knowing, independent and bold in speech, persecuted, boycotted, character assailed and life in the past taken—all for self-aggrandizement. The school master is abroad and progress noticeable. The temperance reform is a muddle.

An old offender in crime was brought before a Judge, who remarked, "Here he is again. I have tried every thing." "No you aint, judge; you have never forgiven me." "Well, well, I will try that. Go and sin no more." The tears rolled down his cheeks, and the result was an after life of strict integrity.

Now there is one thing untried in the temperance reform. Jesus as a reformer always appealed to the divine in man, through his reason and conscience, in charity. This is the one thing needful, to make it practicable. I have a letter before me from a friend saying my ideas are good but impracticable. Bless me! It is the only thing ever devised by God or man that is practicable. We may enact a Supreme law against manufacturing or importing liquors and the same strife would exist between the sustainers and evaders of it with enormous expenditures and frightful perjuries. Stop the demand and the supply will cease and not before.

I am aware that my theory of reform will be regarded as impracticable if not wild by many. But this I know that the principles set forth by Jesus was regarded by himself as premature, and that "he said he would come again with his heavenly hosts and carry them into effect—old things to pass away and all things become new." Not until people learn the true laws of life, physically, morally and spiritually—fully realize the effect of their every act upon their spirits and they become a law unto themselves, so that sin is impossible, will my theory become practical, perhaps. Yet I also know that no other can be, from a lack of true principles governing their methods. Force may quell and for a time check, but will not convince. If this life is a race and the line carefully marked out guiding us towards the star of hope, why not follow it instead of going zigzag? P.

Waterford, Me.

BETHEL.

Mrs. Betsy Merrill and daughter have returned from Portland where they have been spending the winter.

St. John Hastings has put his ferry boat into the river.

Miss Mary A. Sanborn is suffering with a lame wrist. She stepped on a stone nearly a year ago and her wrist has never fully recovered from the sprain received then.

Lively times breaking landings at West Bethel, one or two persons have been injured and several have got a ducking.

Now is the time to hitch your dog to the front gate tie a rope across the walk and stay in wait behind the door for the benefit of jolly folks that hang may baskets.

A "jamb breaker" drive passed through here this week.

Dana Hall has sold his fine span of horses for $400.

No more camp-meetings in the old Pine Woods. The gale of last fall combined with the loggers in the winter have ruined them as far as beauty and shade is concerned.

Mrs. D. G. Kendall has the mate to Mrs. O. A. Bennett's linen sheet, spun and woven so long ago. Justice Bean's sister hired him to swingle the flax for her and paid him in a shirt woven by herself. Mrs. K. also has a linen apron over seventy years old. The flax was raised here at B.

A. B. Annis sowed peas a week ago.

L. A. Hall, "the new barber," has sold out to a gentleman by the name of Perkins. MOLLIE LOCKET.

Mrs. Baldwin, the mother of Mrs. Wm. Chapman of Gilead was found dead in her bed. They sent their little daughter up stairs to call her grandmother to breakfast, and she came back saying her grandma was not there. Mrs. C. then went up and found her dead. She was on a visit to her daughter's.

L. A. Hall has sold out his new barber shop and "good will" to Mr. H. B. Perkins who will run the business this season.

The Bethel shooting club have leased a piece of ground of Abial Chandler, between Dutton and Broad Streets, on which they will erect a club house, some 16 x 22 with piazza, for their club purposes.

The skating rink is covered in and makes a formidable appearance—large enough for an old fashion muster market.

W. Hammons has finished off an ice cooler in his back store, in which he will keep Chicago beef and all other kinds of fresh meats and goodies of the best quality. Thursdays he receives fresh halibut, mackerel, lobsters, and other supplies in that line from the city.

It was Nab. Cook and not Moore as stated last week, who got jammed and nearly drowned. He is coming out of it all right.

Mr. E. C. Rowe has purchased the corner lot, top of Mill Hill, where the old Bethel House was burned, and will erect, the coming summer, a block of stores that will open the eyes of the Bethel folks.

S. D. Philbrick will build a stable on his intervale to store his hay in.

Harvey Philbrick had his two years old steers weighed last week. 2350 lbs; girt, 6 feet, 2 inches; plump and handsome as pictures.

Col. Edwards has a Dutch and Durham bull, one two years old, weighing 850 lbs.; and a heifer, 11 months old, weighing 760 lbs.; both very handsome animals.

Frank Rich has leased the J. G. Rich farm for one year, and Mr. R. and his son Elliott are both going to Massachusetts next week to spend the summer.

WEST BETHEL.

The Lewiston and Canton Steam Mill Co.'s drive went past here Sat. and Sunday with a crew of forty men.

John Needham continues low.

Mrs. E. A. Baldwin, of Coos N. H., died at the home of her son-in-law, Wm. C. Chapman, of heart disease, Thursday the 17th.

E. P. Grover has a son.

Scott Wight sells at public auction on Thurs. May 1st, farming utensils, household goods, and furniture, also a fine lot of colts.

Our neighbors at Gilead are to delight themselves with a new Town House, 37x50x14, to be erected by J. Wiley for $1037.50.

We are having quite a time here with school meetings; week ago Saturday a meeting wss called but was declared illegal on account of not sufficient warning, another meeting was called Monday 28th all business was transacted, until the last article, adjournment, when the meeting was declared and decided illegal, on account of agent's wife signing the warrant; as there is not time to call another meeting this month, the matter goes into the hands of the selectmen and State School Committee. CLOCK.

BRYANT'S POND.

On Friday, the 25th, Fred Tribeau fell from the roof of Isaac Curtis's barn where he was shingling, breaking both of his arms. The bones were set and he is now doing as well as could be expected.

S. L. Russ had a pretty severe fall at the spool factory last week but did not leave his work.

C. R. Houghton, who fell on the ice last winter, is still unable to get around without his crutches.

Miss Nina Houghton has been engaged to teach the village school this summer.

F. M. Bartlett has sold his interest in the spool mill machinery to several parties in the village.

H. Bradeen esq. is building a nice hen house and is going into the hen business.

Rumor says a large store is to be erected on the spot where the old Bartlett store was burned. We hope it is so.

Charley Dunham sat down in one of Bartlett's big store windows the other night, rather a dear seat for Charley.

The ice is nearly out of the pond. A good wind will prepare it for boating parties. B****.

DENMARK.

The Selectmen have engaged the services of Minot Brazier of Hiram as superintendent of the Poor Farm.

The widow Abby Cobb, sick with consumption, is very low and cannot possibly live but a short time longer.

Dr. Sydney T. Brown is building him a new house in the village.

Benjamin Mackay has built a new stable.

Adrial Whales is contemplating building a stable near the house he has bought of L. A. Ingalls.

Workmen are busily at work on the Odd Fellows Hall.

Charles Goldthwait has gone to Haverhill to work during the summer.

Albert W. Walker has gone to Boston to work for the Boston Ice Co.

HEBRON.

The prize exhibition at the closing exercises of the spring term occurred last Friday evening, in the chapel. All who had parts did themselves and their teachers much credit. The music was by Jones Orchestra of South Paris. The following is the programme:

Custer's Last Charge, Charles L. Perry, East Hebron.
The Brave Man, Edgar D. Pulsifer, Sumner.
A Legend of Bregenz, Addie L. Bonney, Sumner.
The Black Horse and His Rider, Frank E. Hanscom, Poland.
Angels of Buena Vista, Hattie A. Hooper, Paris.
Awfully Lovely Philosophy, Rosie L. Pratt, Hebron.
Description of Webster's Reply to Hayne, Clarence A. Morrill, Poland.
The Ride of Jennie McNeal, L. Belle Bridgham, Buckfield.
Napoleon Bonaparte, Fred H. Cushing, Turner.
Hannibal at the Altar, Frank W. Palmer, Sumner.
Toussaint L'Overture, Fred V. Mathews, Woodford's.
Unjust National Acquisitions, T. S. Crocker, Paris.
The Burning of Chicago, Lizzie P. Hammond, Paris.
Oration on O'Connell, Fred P. Hammond, Paris.
How He Saved St. Michael's, Charles O. Davis, Minot.
After the Sale, Millie F. Jackson, Lewiston.
Wreck of the Hesperus, Minnie L. Everett, Hebron.
Chatham on the American War, James M. Pike, Hebron.
The Painter of Seville, Ada E. Farris, Hebron.
John Maynard, Cory A. Bumpus, Auburn.
King Robert of Sicily, Mamie C. Jones, Oxford.
Miss Malony on the Chinese Question, Hattie C. Crocker, Paris.

The first prize for excellence in reading was awarded to Miss Hattie A. Hooper of Paris; second, Miss Ada E. Farris of Hebron; Miss L. Belle Bridgham of Buckfield and Miss Minnie L. Everett of Hebron received honorable mention. For excellence in declamation the first prize was awarded to Fred V. Matthews of (Woodford's) Deering; second, Frank E. Hanscom of West Poland; Clarance A. Morrill of South Poland and Fred P. Hammond of Paris received honorable mention. Among so many good readers and speakers the committee found it no easy task to decide as to whom the prizes belonged. The orchestra furnished good music, and there was the usual sociable at the close. There was a large attendance, and many words of hearty commendation were heard. It was a fitting close to so successful a term.

Rev. J. E. Cochrane of Paris supplied the pulpit of the Baptist church last Sabbath in exchange with the pastor, and preached an excellent sermon. S.

[From the Semester.]

"Joe is at present engaged upon the stage in the Boston Theatre.

Miss Lizzie M. Whitman, class of '82, is taking a special course at Wellesley.

Walter E. Morton, of '83, is at present engaged in the study of art, in Boston. Mr. Morton has shown considerable talent in painting, and promises to become a successful artist.

Among the graduates from Hebron Academy to be found at Colby University, are: George R. Berry, of Hebron's class of '80; Albert M. Richardson, '81; Gertrude B. Morse, '81; Geo. P. Phenix, '82; and Wallace E. Bruce, '82.

Two of Hebron's graduates have been married—Lester L. Whitman of '82, to Sophia D. Morgan of '83.

Mr. George L. Dunham, graduate of Hebron Academy, class of '78, who taught the Grammar School, Paris, this last winter, has received an appointment as principal of Centre Street Grammar School, Portland. Mr. Dunham is a graduate of Colby.

LOCKE'S MILLS.

Mrs. Nellie Dudley has returned from Boston and is going to enlarge her cottage and fit up for summer boarders. She has one of the handsomest places in the vicinity.

Mr. Switser from Chicago has arrived and will spend the season at the Dudley cottage. His wife is visiting in California but is expected here soon. Mr. Switser is a great fisherman, and devotes a good deal of his time on the brooks and ponds. He has put a good boat into North Pond; he also has brought with him a nice covered carriage for pleasure riding.

Mr. Smith of Howe Hill has arrived home from Saco to spend about a month.

Thomas Andrews and family are going to leave here shortly for Lisbon, where he expects to make it his home. Mrs. Hammond who lives with him is to go with him.

HANOVER.

State Assayer Bartlett of Portland arrived in town last Saturday and spent the Sabbath at the old homestead. He says they have a force of fifty men at their Sulphur mine in Milan, N. H. He is superintendent of the mine also of the Smelting works at Portland. By our calling his attention to it he related a very narrow escape from drowning which he and a Powers boy had when they were in their "teens." He said "We were in swimming, had swum across the river (which is wide and very deep) and were returning, I being some way ahead, when I heard an unusual noise, on looking back I saw that Powers had the cramp. I told him to turn on to his back stick up his hands which he did, but when I got there he had gone down, I dived for him when he got me by one foot and I brought him to the surface broke from him and got him by the hair and started for the opposite shore. At one time he got his arms around my neck and we both went under but I got him to the shore some way but both about dead, he could not stand and didn't realize anything until I had worked over him some time."

Geo. F. Towll closes his dancing school here next Tuesday the 6th, with a grand Ball, full Band. Tickets for dancing and supper $1.25.

Our school commenced last Monday, Miss Wells from Mass., teacher.

FRYEBURG.

The chief event in this place this week was the Character Party at Academy Hall Thursday evening, Apr. 24. This entertainment was postponed from Apr. 10th to this date, and was a success. About eighty persons were dressed in costumes representing characters in History and Fiction. Among which were:

Constantine, A. L. Shirley.
The Press, (a costume made from the headings of over one hundred newspapers,)
Mary Stuart, Miss Blake.
Evangeline, Clara Mason.
Richard Lion Heart, Miss Stone.
Betsey Trotwood, John S. Barrows.
Josiah Allen and wife, W. P. F. Robie.
L. M. Walker and Jno. Manson.
Columbus, S. W. Fife.
Oscar Wilde, J. P. Hubbard.
Telegraph, Alice Morgan.
Winter, Mabel Morgan.
Snow Queen, Mary Weston.
Rowena, Virgil Howe.
Rebecca, Laura Glines.
Paugus, R. M. Howe.
Sunflower, Winnie Fitch.
Andrew Hofer, D. M. Cole.
Queen Elizabeth, Mrs. C. W. Pike.
Jessica, Mattie Randall.

Also Gipsies, Flower Girls, the Seasons and others too numerous to mention. The Fryeburg Brass Band furnished music. During the evening there were several readings illustrated by tableaux. The characters were well selected and appropriate, and many of the costumes were very rich and beautiful, making a brilliant display as they marched round the hall. Taking it altogether it was one of the most enjoyable events of the year.

The selectmen of this town have been doing a good thing in dispersing the crowds which gather round certain places much to the annoyance of the public. Z.

SOUTH PARIS.

Rev. Mr. Bowler, of Bethel, and Rev. E. C. Ingalls, of this place, exchanged pulpits last Sabbath.

The M. E. Sabbath School has been re-organized, with the following officers, for the ensuing year: Superintendent, Ira G. Sprague; Asst. Supt., S. Stowe; Secretary, A. E. Morse; Treasurer, Loretta J. Brock; Librarian, Frank E. Kimball; Asst. Librarian, Charles G. Burlington; Chorister, Rev. H. E. Foss; Asst. Chorister, A. E. Morse.

Mr. J. H. Winslow has let the contract for his double-tenement house on Higt St. to Otis Holt for $1200.

Mrs. Libby, mother of Mr. Frank Libby and Mrs. Burnell, was buried from her residence last Friday. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Hooper, of Mechanic Falls.

Thirty Parisians went to Norway to attend service at the Methodist Church last Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Foss, the newly appointed pastor at South Paris M. E. Church, was greeted with a large congregation last Sabbath. His text was Prov. 23: 26, first clause.

A number of fine young maple trees are being set out in the cemetery. The extensive improvements recently made have greatly enhanced the beauty of these grounds.

The Smart Bros. have made Mrs. Fogg's house shine with paint.

Mr. Frank Libby has moved into the residence formerly occupied by his mother, and Mr. Chas. Young is to occupy the Capt. Bolster rent next to Alvin Rice's.

The Benjamin Morse house is being placed on a higher foundation and otherwise repaired.

School closes on Friday of this week.

The household goods of Miss Abbie Denning have gone to Mechanic Falls.

Eggs are 12 cents a dozen, and the hens are busy. OCCASIONAL.

SWEDEN.

Albion Nevers, to the great joy of his friends and neighbor, is surely recovering. At one time his hold on life appeared only as a very brittle thread, but he passed the crisis with sufficient vitality, we hope, to insure speedy recovery. Most of the sick people in this town appear to be improving now, and we hope with a better condition of air we may be spared the dread mortality of the past two years this season at least.

C. W. Bennett has bought of Daniel T. Adams lands for a pasture known as the Josephus Haskell and H. B. Kneeland farms, also the Milton Jewett pasture; the farms lying on the south side of Winns hill and the pasture adjoining on the top. Daniel is full of trade and may get rich before long if he is very careful not to spend his income as he goes along.

Eighteen smart men came in contact with Wm. H. Kneeland's wood pile the other day and with determined persistence conquered it. The pile was a large one of large logs, when the onslaught commenced, but they left it a mass of nice stove wood. And this is not the first raid on wood piles that has been made here this spring by any means, for the widow Bennett's and widow Holden's have been dispatched in the same way. Our people appear to have a growing habit of pitching into wood piles, corn-heaps and other things in their season, where there is no one round to look after them specially, and these raiders are generally treated civilly and fed liberally while on such raids, such being the case at W. H. Kneelands.

The school agent in district No. 3 has by vote of the district treated the outside of the school house to another coat of paint, which makes it look nice these bright days.

Now kind people, one and all, take the ADVERTISER. Twice the money's worth is in it and you can't afford to do without it.

CASCO.

Items of news and subscriptions for this paper may be left with Mr. E. A. Barton of Casco.—[Ed.

The farmers in this vicinity have generally commenced their spring's work. To-day some have sowed their early peas and W. F. Cook has sowed his wheat, J. H. Jepson, the Onion King, has sowed 2 acres of onions and S. W. Cook has sowed two large beds.

E. A. Barton is getting ready to do up the grafting for the farmers, in this town, now that he has got his spring board built.

Speaking of names reminds your correspondent of the name of a former resident of this town, to wit: Hannah Rebecca Hester Ann Rice Rose Rodgers Smith McFail.

The Corn shop at Casco Village and also at Webbs Mills will run this season, the former owned by Wolf & Reesing of New York, and the latter by John McLellan of S. Windham.

J. B. Webb will have control of the Webbs Mills shop.

Mr. Geo. Watkins has 8 sheep which will pay pretty well for wintering. Six of them have dropped 12 lambs and two more to hear from.

M. F. Winslow & Sons have put on an elegant finish on the front end of their barn also clapboarded and painted the same, work done by Joseph Batty.

Webbs Mills is to have a Band Stand.

Rev. Chas. Bean will preach at the school house at Webbs Mills next Sabbath at 10½ o'clock.

Rev. Mr. Wakely will preach at Casco the ensuing year. SOTO.

LOVELL

G. L. Whitehouse says they have a hog that is seven feet long; and if any one else has one to beat it, he would like to hear from them.

There is a lady in Lovell, who says she reads Uncle Daniel's stories of Otisfield with great interest, for in years past she was well aquainted with the inhabitants.

Mrs. Amos Horr is very sick with lung fever.

Mr. L. Hatch is quite sick with a bad cold.

School commences at Slab City the first Monday in May, taught by Miss Adie Harriman of Bridgton.

We hear that Fox & Hamlin's mill was somewhat damaged by the freshet.

I noticed in the paper of April 18th, that Ellis Annis of Bethel had hired out with the same man he worked for last summer. Will you please inform me what the man's name is.

Mr. John Kendall has commenced his work for the season for E. T. Stearns at Lovell Center. ELGEVA.

MEXICO.

Rankins drive went out of Swift river the 25th and logs all in Canton boom the 28th.

The body of the Howard boy has not yet been recovered.

H. B. Wortbley has sold his farm to Geo. W. Roberts. Mr. W. moves to Phillips this week.

Mrs. A. D. Park teaches the summer term of the school in Dist. No. 3.

Fred A. Worthley starts for Minnesota, May 5th. SCRIBE.

RUMFORD CENTRE.

Mr. Fred. Cushman of Andover is very sick at Rumford Corner.

Our High School closes next Friday. Mr. Hutchins has had the best of luck.

Gov. Robie was renominated by acclamation at Bangor this week.

BOLSTER'S MILLS.

Rev. L. W. Raymond preached an interesting and practical sermon at this place last Sabbath, using as a text, Luke xvi, 10, showing the importance of faithfulness in little things.

O. V. Edwards, of the firm of Weston & Edwards, has sold his interest in the saw mill and lumber to his partner, Dr. S. L. Weston.

Henry P. Spurr of Otisfield has sold the "Bangs' Stand" to Otis Mitchell.

The High school at Spurr's Corner, which has been under the instruction of Mr. Eugene Holden, closed last week. On Saturday evening there was a public entertainment at the church consisting of a drama "The Turning of the Tide," and the farce "Seeing the Elephant."

W. W. Chute, who has been confined to his house most of the winter, has so far recovered from his severe illness as to be able to ride out.

Simeon A. Turner, who has carried on Mrs. James Lovell's farm during the last two years, has moved to his father's; and Charles S. Green has taken his place at Mrs. Lovell's farm.

Mrs. Irish Fogg is still sick and but little hope of her recovery is entertained.

G. Norman Buck, who has spent two or three years in the West, teaching and attending a Law School, is now at home with his parents, H. L. Buck and wife at South Harrison.

Miss Lucy Dorman, who has been at the Normal School at Gorham, is engaged to teach a summer school at North Bridgton. A. B. L.

Crooked River Lodge of Masons received five applications for membership at its last meeting. This Lodge is doing excellent work under its present able corps of officers.

Cyrus Haskell is making extensive repairs on his new purchase, the Geo. Barnum stand, and is to remove there soon. S.

WATERFORD.

Mr. Joseph Hale, who has been very feeble all winter, is quite smart again so that he walked to the Post Office the other day.

Mr. Albert Stanwood has gone to Boston for a few days.

Rev. J. S. Richards preached at No. Bridgton last Sunday, in exchange with Rev. N. Lincoln.

L. I. Stone has sold his house to John Sampson.

Butter is very cheap. The traders are only paying from 16 to 18 cents per lb.

Mrs. E. A. Knight is in Melrose visiting friends.

Miss L. M. Stone is in Boston for a few weeks.

Our Lake is clear from ice the 26th.

A handsome sight, the plants in Miss S. W. Knight's store window.

EAST OTISFIELD.

Otis Mitchell has bought the John Bangs stand at Spurr's corner and will shortly move there.

Libby Edwards has repaired and painted his house and stable in a neat and tasty manner and is about to move in with his new bride. D. C. and E. M. Jillson have also been repairing their buildings.

Orrington H. Stone has a fine cow and a two year old colt for sale.

The mud is fast drying up but the roads are damaged to a great extent. From Fore street over Scribner Hill it is utterly impassable.

Mrs. Hanson Lunt has been very low with hemorrhage of the lungs but is more comfortable now.

We hear it has been decided to hold a memorial service on the Hill as proposed.

Geo. H. Scribner has moved from Norway to his father's at East Otisfield.

The Rev. J. W. Twort moved to Canton last week.

In 1844 just 40 years ago the Dunkertown School district contained 29 families and 176 inhabitants. Now it contains 18 families and 67 inhabitants, still there is we think much more wealth than then, nearly if not quite double. The decrease of population we should say is more than an average compared with other portions of the town also the increase of wealth.

Sumner Wardwell ships another drove of cattle this week. MARK TAPLEY.

NORTH RUMFORD.

There is a lot of four feet poplar, stranded on the intervales, which came up with the high water, and was left as the water receded. A great deal of it is so far away from the river that it will have to be hauled to the river in carts.

I am writing somewhat under difficulties. Am boiling sap in the woods, using the bottom of a sap-bucket for a desk, which I am holding between my knees and sitting on a rock for a chair. Every now and then I have to shut my eyes and hold my breath, when the wind blows the smoke this way. This is probably the last boiling we shall have to do this year as the sap is growing sour.

Sheep are getting their living in the pastures and cattle soon will, if we get the rain storm that is brewing.

We have a bunch of May flowers which we found a few days ago.

A flock of wild geese were seen near the mouth of the Ellis River a few days ago.

"The much deferred reply to the Salem Letter" was read with much interest.

Fred Silver has taken a band of his barn, and is going to lower the floor which goes in on the beams, down on to the girts. It makes a decided improvement in the looks; and is a great deal more convenient.

Turner Silver has been sawing his poplar up four feet with horse power.

The frost is out; and the farmers are fencing.

Evans Hodgon, who cut his foot some time ago, is having a bad time with the rheumatism. His foot has healed nicely.

In the North Rumford items of last week it should read, Mrs. Harrison Caldwell, instead of Mrs. Harrison, who has the quilt.

The frogs are now exercising their vocal powers.

One croaks and sings, first low then high,
Another quickly makes reply
In croak so deep or whistle shrill,
As to wake the echoes of the hill;
And each one tries, it seems, his best
To drown the ochoes of the rest.

JEM KEEN.

ALBANY.

Geo. W. Beckler on the Valley road, has got his new barn raised and partly boarded.

Mrs. J. F. Richardson is quite feeble. It is feared she will go into consumption.

Walter M. Brown had an auction last Saturday and sold most of his personal property. He sold his farm sometime ago to a Mr. Annis of Bethel.

You can hardly go in any part of our town but what you will hear the hum of the saw, as there are now eight mills in operation. Most of them are sawing spool lumber at the present time.

Dexter A. Cummings has hired Fred O. Riley to run his blacksmith shop, who is a first-class shoer and carriage ironer, and has all the work he can do.

E. H. Bean has two pairs of nice oxen for sale, which girt about 7 feet, and several horses also. C.

OXFORD.

Robert Wardwell is very sick with hemorrhage of the lungs.

J. S. Dunn, whose buildings were burned by lightening a few days since, is intendtng to rebuild on the same spot as soon as possible. His brother A. H. Dunn is to do the job. We understand the collection of coins lost in the fire has been mostly recovered.

Mr. Wm. Gammon of Naples has bought the Wilkins farm and has moved the buildings to the road.

Cyrus Chaplin who lives at the old tavern stand near the Town House, has so remodeled and improved the buildings as to render them hardly recognizable.

The buzz of the saw is again heard in our mills, much to the gratification of all concerned, though some think but little of being restricted to a time by the upper mills controlling the water. MARK TAPLEY.

Miss H. E. Hersey started for Chicago Tuesday.

Hiram Gilbert and wife have returned to their farm, having spent the winter at Auburn with their son-in-law, Wallace Tuttle.

C. T. Wardwell and L. S. Edwards, delegates from this town, attended the Convention at Auburn Tuesday.

King & Holmes are out with some new hand-bills giving prices for which they are selling groceries, etc. Advertise in the ADVERTISER gentlemen!

The Oxford Chautauquans met Friday eve at the Cong. vestry to observe Shakespeare's day. After partaking of a bountiful collation, a very entertaining and instructive paper on Shakspeare's life was read by Mrs. Ellis. Miss H. E. Hersey after giving a short talk on Shakspeare's works gave a reading from the Merchant of Venice. Miss Hersey is a fine reader, and was listened to with delight by all. At the conclusion of the meeting a study chair was presented by the members to the efficient and popular president of the Circle, Rev. C. S. Cummings. VOX.

Rev. C. S. Cummings was the recipient of a severe pounding on Wednesday eve, upon his return from Conference for the second year. Some 50 or more of his friends filled his house to overflowing at an early hour and gave him quite a surprise party, leaving behind them as a slight token of their esteem a very large number of pounds; also a very fine study lamp and several fat envelopes, the contents of which we do not know.

D. Orrin Stevens has been to Boston.

L. H. Stuart, one of the selectmen of this town, is very sick at present.

Thomas Baker has a tank of very fine gold fish in his store window; the largest ones we ever saw.

The steamer Island Belle broke loose from its moorings on Tuesday, and started on a trip of its own to the Island House. When rescued it was passing through that long and tortuous channel bounded on either sides by massive stumps of fallen trees, so vividly described by A. Ward, jr., in his story, "A Trip to Magguire's Island."

The band favored the citizens with a few selections in front of the Lake House Wednesday evening.

Inspector Hanscom's family of Boston, are spending a few days with M. M. Hanscom of this place.

L. F. Wardwell comes out with his summer coach glittering with a new coat of paint.

Thayer & Fletcher's meat cart of South Paris, was badly demolished by a runaway horse attached to the cart. The horse run the length of Pleasant St. on the the sidewalk, colliding with an elm tree in front of S. T. Holbrook's house, where the horse was stopped without much damage to himself. FELIX.

John Robinson will soon raft one of the handsomest lot of pine logs that ever came down the pond. The raft will be towed down by the steamer as soon as the ice goes out. There will be about 75,000 ft.

Buyers of horse flesh have been plenty of late. There are several good colts for sale in this neighborhood.

Leander Wardwell has painted and repaired his coach so that it is the best looking hack that has been on this line.

Louis and George Edwards recently, while out hunting, saw a wild goose perched on a tree. As this is rather an unusual occurrence it has been doubted by some of the sportsmen here. But nevertheless they saw the goose and did not wear glasses either.

Last Saturday night a number of our citizens went to the Sargent brook on a suckering expedition. They had good luck catching some 75 or 100 suckers. Prescott Pike filled a half-bushel basket with a fine lot of fish. Finally the fishermen grew hungry and adjourned to Joseph Skillings to enjoy a hearty supper. After supper it was found that some one had taken all the suckers among which were Mr. Pike's. Mr. Pike thinks that "Wookchuck" Young and Jim True took his, and politely asks them to fetch back his basket if nothing more. As woodchucks are not generally fond of fish, this seems to be a new departure amongst that class. JOSH JEEMS.

HARTFORD.

The Crystal Wave, Good Templars of East Buckfield, elected on the 24th the officers for the sixty-sixth quarter viz: Russell Pratt, W. C.; Mrs. Osman Warren, W. V.; Harry Piper, W. S.; Fred Warren, W. F. S.; Virgil P. DeCoster, W. T.; Benjamin Irish, W. C.; Wm. Cobb, W. M.; Fred Irish, and John Bryant W. G's. Oldest couple belonging to the Wave, Wm. Bicknell and wife, they were present at the first meeting. They have three children who were charter members of the Wave who are now members of this lodge. Henry A. was the first W. C. They have two grand daughters, who have been members for years. Widow Lazarus Lucus, of East Buckfield, died a member of the Wave, a few years ago, at the age of ninety-seven years, doubtless the oldest member of this Order in the U. S. The Wave has two daughters, Forest Lake, Hartford Center and Sure Haven, East Hebron. She is the oldest lodge of the Order in Oxford County. Most all the members live on farms, but do not forget Thursday evening. Her mother Nezinscot lived at Buckfield village, about two miles west of the Wave, her daughter, she had enjoyed many years of prosperity, finally died for want of exercise. I am in hopes the Wave, when she must die, will die with the harness on. The hall where the Wave now meets was once a place where hogsheads of intoxicating liquors were sold as a beverage to make the consumer more wretched. Language cannot be spoken that can paint the misery that follows in the trail of the serpent of the destil. The rising generation of East Buckfield can never know the curse the retailor of intoxicating drinks brought on the community for the sake of gain. HARTFORD.

WEST POLAND.

Bert Fernald has sold his yearling steers for $140.

We regret to hear that Rev. J. A. Libby is about to leave West Poland and move to Castleton, Vt. He will leave a large circle of friends and neighbors by whom the loss of his society will be keenly felt. M. T.

We would call the attention of horse men to T. J. Edgcomb's "Maine Duroc." See adv.

OPENING!

New Spring Goods at Phinney's.

Bl'k Silks, Colored Silks, Plain & Brocade Velvets, French Ottoman Cloths in black and colors, Bl'k Mercillian Cloths, Bl'k Cashmeres, Colored Cashmeres, French Serges, English Diagonals, and an elegant line of American Dress Goods, including New Shades in Dress Flannels.

Also, New Shawls, New Cloakings, New Housekeeping goods.

Also, NEW STOCK HOOP SKIRTS, Bustles, Laces, Corsets, Dress Bottons, Hosiery, and everything usually kept in a City Dry Goods Store.

It is not too much to say, that we have the

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of any store in Oxford County. All are invited to examine our now goods and get OUR PRICES.

Remember every thing is just as we talk it, and one price for every one.

Very Respectfully,

M. M. PHINNEY, Norway Village.

BUCKFIELD.

The "road-breakers"—many of them at least—are refused their full pay by selectmen and road-commissioners under the excuse that roads have been "broke" when unnecessary or that the town can't afford to pay such heavy bills. It would occur to the "farmer on the crop roads" that if the selectmen should tax the money at interest in town and let that pay the expenses of the "toilers in the snow," it would be a little nearer justice than cheating them out of it.

Mrs. Scammon has returned from Boston. In the Eye Infirmary of which place she was successfully treated for cataract.

Parties from Boston have made a proposition to make ten cases of shoes a day here. provided certain conditions are complied with.

Mr. Sawyer and wife of Greenville, are visiting their son.

The old two story house called the old Crocker house was burned also the stable last Sunday night about 11:45. The house was occupied by Thomas Andrews, who was away at the time of the fire. The goods were about all saved. Cause of fire unknown.

G. D. Bisbee, U. S. Marshal, lost a valuable Jersey cow last Monday. He valued her at $100.

A. S. Jordan of this town had a cow that dropped twin calves, last week, one male and the other female.

Mrs. Harford, the milliner of this village, has been to Portland and bought a large stock of new goods and is fixing up her shop in good style.

Henry Holland and Mrs. W. P. Pratt were arrested today in Auburn for adultery and lodged in Auburn Jail. I understand they will be brought here for trial. H.

BROWNFIELD.

Miss Waltz, the pastor of the Universalist church at the Centre, has left her charge on account of ill health.

The buildings of George Wakefield were burned Wednesday night between eleven and twelve o'clock. A horse, pair of oxen, six sheep, all the farming tools and most of the furniture were lost; three cows were saved. The fire is supposed to be the work of an incendiary.

[From the Democrat.]

PARIS.

James S. Wright, esq., expects to remove his family to Bethel, some time in May. Mr. Wright will locate at Bethel, in the practice of the law. Paris Hill regrets to lose so valuable a citizen, and Bethel is to be congratulated on its acquisition.

Rev. Mr. Cochrane has been very hard at work since the first of January. Special meetings have been held nearly every evening during the week, at Paris Hill. In addition there has been a revival at North Paris, where some nineteen persons have professed conversion. Mr. Cochrane is doing a good work in both parishes.

Senator and Mrs. Hamlin were in town last week, visiting the Senator's sister, Mrs. Ann Brown.

The village schools are to commence on Monday, May 5th, in district No. 9.

J. C. Cummings is shingling his house and making other repairs.

RUMFORD CENTRE.

Mr. Chas. P. Kimball, of Chicago, has presented the M. E. Church a new organ, which was much needed. Mr. K. is a native of this town, and has not forgotten his numerous friends here. He is largely engaged in the manufacture of carriages in Chicago, and has acquired great wealth. Rev. Mr. Center has been returned by Conference to this place, and especially appreciates this gift to the Church.

Mrs. Small and children have returned.

Miss Jennie Moore is improving. Mrs. Betsey Eaton, also, who has been confined to the house nearly all winter, is on the gain.

Mr. Charles Richardson, who had the misfortune to break his leg, is doing well.

NEWRY.

E. J. Brown of Grafton has four millions of lumber in Cambridge river, and twelve hundred thousand in Bear river.

Carl Goodwin is improving.

Mrs. Mary Williamson is very low, at her father's residence here.

Mr. I. Stearns, A. B., is commencing to build a large barn, to be something like his brother's. He has for a number of years been principal of the academy at Blue Hill.

Ansel Dudley of Bryant's Pond has driven about 1500 cords of poplar out of Bear river.

MAINE DUROC!

PEDIGREE:

MAINE DUROC by Messenger Duroc, by Rysdyk's Hamiltonian, &c., &c.
DAM, Patchen Maid, by G. M. Patchen, &c.

This superior blooded horse will stand for the improvement of stock, as follows:

TUESDAYS at Beal's Hotel Stable, Norway, and the remainder of the time at A. L. ROWE'S Stable, Bryant's Pond.

MAINE DUROC
Is the sire of Voucher, Hunter Duroc, &c.

Terms to Warrant, $25. Season Service, $20, in advance. Season commences at Norway, May 27th, at Bryant's Pond, May 25th.

All interested in horses are invited to call and see *Maine Duroc*, whether intending to breed or not.

For any further information in regard to the Horse, tabulated pedigree, &c., send "postal" to THOS. J. EDGECOMB, *Bryant's Pond, Me.*

Bryants Pond, May 7th, 1884. 8w18

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And now is the time to buy your

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Ladies, if you want a nice style, good fitting Boot, at a reasonable price, call and examine my Stock, as it is complete in every department.

Special Bargains in
Ladies' Dongola Button Boots,
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Fine Laces & Crepes, Flowers & Feathers, of all qualities.

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Having secured the services of Miss A. G. DUNHAM, of Bath, as Milliner, all orders will be filled promptly and in a satisfactory manner.

Also, a full line of
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Gloves, Hosiery, Ladies' & Children's Neck-wear, &c., &c.

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New Goods
JUST IN!!
A Full Line of New Patterns of
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New Carpets!
All Wool, Cotton-wool, Hemps, Canton Mattings & Oil Cloths.
FEATHERS, GROCERIES, &c.
Call and examine goods.
E. W. HOWE.
Norway, May 1, 1884. 4w18

Oxford County Advertiser.

FRIDAY, MAY 2, 1884.

[Entered as Second Class mail matter.]

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Shingles for Sale—Sanborn Bros.
Soap—Elmer Twitchell.
New Goods—E. W. Howe.
Millinery—Mrs. A. B. Chase.
Photos—Burnham, Norway.
Boots—J. F. Allen.
Groceries—G. W. Holmes.
Maine Duroc—T. J. Edgecomb.
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NORWAY AND VICINITY.

A one-cent stamp for a circulaire,
A one-cent stamp for a newspapaire,
A two-cent stamp for a sealed lettaire,
All stamps stuck in the right cornaire,
Stick the stamp, then stick with care,
On the right hand—not everywhere—
Unless you want the postmastaire
To make things hot, and cuss and swear.

A. F. Jackson has some pigs for sale.

Leon Frost is clerking at the Everett Bros.' market.

A. P. Bassett moves into the rent over the Savings Bank.

Rev. O. S. Pillsbury is to take a rent in Mrs. Kelley's house.

J. F. Allen, the boot and shoe man, has a new story to tell. See ad.

Chas. B. Cummings has been confined to the house with sickness.

T. P. Richardson has moved into his house at the Falls.

Mrs. F. J. Elliott goes to Somers, Ct., to visit her Uncle, Dea. Horatio Billings.

Geo. F. Andrews has bought the Samuel Howe house on Main Street.

Henry Herrick has a six year old Norman horse that weighs 1235 pounds.

A. M. Trull recently visited Merrimac, Mass., and Nashua and Manchester, N. H.

The Crockett Sisters are in Boston. New spring styles in Millinery next week.

Capt. W. W. Whitmarsh has taken down the Elm House stable and is to build a new one.

E. S. Owen of Auburn has been engaged as foreman of L. L. Howard's marble shop.

The annual inspection of the Light Infantry will occur at their Armoy next Tuesday evening.

W. H. Warren has raised up the ell and stable of the I. N. Small place. He is to put a new stable on it.

Bert Trull has gone to Manchester, N. H., to learn the tailoring business of his uncle, E. Adams.

The Norway Reform Club observed its ninth anniversary at its club room Monday evening.

E. N. Clement has moved into the house he recently bought on the highlands.

G. W. Grant favors us with a copy of the National City (Cal.) Record. Thanks.

The Brooks' sisters are to move from Pleasant Street into Mrs. Bonney's house on Paris Street.

Jackson Clark is making a little change in his house so as to accommodate another family.

N. W. Millett has some fine Chester White pigs for sale. They are four weeks old. First come first served.

O. Whittier is canvassing for Ridpaph's History of the U. S. in this vicinity. We published adv. last week.

James Shedd has a fine looking colt. There is a great change in horses after they are clipped. Jim thinks so now.

A. F. Jackson recently sold a ten months colt after "Norway Knox," to Mr. Geo. Barnham of Portland for $100.00.

"Gypsie M" was jogged a little last Monday and showed some good stepping. She is several seconds better than last year.

The following is taken from the assessers books: Number of dogs taxed 96; Polls 713; Real estate $670,211.00; Personal estate $254,985.00. Rate of high-way tax 2½ mills. Money tax 12 mills on a dollar.

The S. S. Concert at the Methodist Chapel was attended in large numbers, and the entertainment showed much pains in training and decided talent in the children. Such nice little singers we have seldom heard.

Elmer Twitchell is successor to the original soap business carried on by F. H. Holmes. His soap is made out of the same kettle. He supplies the trade and in exchange takes grease, ashes, etc. See ad.

Mrs. M. A. Briggs is fortunate. 37 drew the silk quilt which number she had. She also got a heavy diamond ring in a package of tea. The windows at her house are filled with plants and many of them are in bloom.

A young man, reported to have come from Livermore, was in town Tuesday in quest of a business rent in which to open a jewerler's store. He went to Oxford to look over the situation there. We have not learnt what he has decided to do.

This is a "tree-planting" corporation. There is chance for a good many more trees in this village. Havn't you a place for a tree? If so, set one this spring. Now is the time to do it. We wish all that set out shade trees in this village this spring would report the same to this office.

Weeks and crew are painting Mrs. A. Holmes' buildings. F. L. Young and crew are painting Mrs. Foster's buildings at the Falls. S. Pottle and crew are painting Hathaway block. Hazen and crew are painting Tubbs' store. Will Chase and crew are painting their homestead. Eighteen painters at work last Friday.

HOUSE KEEPING. While in Boston it will interest one to visit the warerooms of Paine's Furniture Manufacturing Co. 48 Canal Street, or send to them for one of their new books of designs of furniture now in factory. They have on hand a very large assortment of Parlor and Dining room Suits, Live Geese feathers, Hair Mattresses, Spring Beds, Lounges, Rattan and Cane Chairs at Wholesale and Manufacturers prices.

J. C. Marble's "Fannie Patchen" shows a good family of colts and as far as heard from each partakes of the mother's speed. "Fannie Patchen" made time on this track of 2:30 several years ago and bid fair to be one of the fastest horses in the State had she not accidentally become disabled. Mr. Marble had repeatedly refused $4,000.00 for her. The oldest of her colts is "Gypsie M" sired by Eclair, 5 years old, and is owned by J. C. Marble and H. L. Horne. She can show a "thirty" gait almost without trying. "Robbin Ruff" was sired by Hutchins' Hambletonian Stallion "Spirit of '76," and is a promising young colt. "Stella M" is by "Norway Knox" and is owned by Marble and Horne. "Maud M" is by the same horse and is 10 months old and for which Mr. Marble recently refused an offer of $300. The mother of these colts is now in foal after Eclair. If all things work well Mr. Marble will make a good show of his family of colts at the coming State Fair. It is an interesting fast stepping family. "Fannie Patchen" or the Marble mare as she is called was sired by Tom Patchen and her dam was of Arabian descent.

Old paper for sale.

Otis True of Lovell has been in town.

G. W. Holmes has corn beef for sale.

Writing paper for sale at this office.

S. L. Crockett went a fishing May day.

The cutters have resumed work in the shoe factory.

G. W. Holmes is getting into his store lots of new goods.

C. B. Cummings has got his raft to the mill.

Rines, the baker, has commenced to make and sell hot biscuits.

The Noyes Drug Store is the place to buy room paper, shades, etc. *

Printing of all kinds done at this office at reasonable prices.

No bear on Pike's Hill May day—carry the news to Capt. Penley.

The Cobbler's Hall has been moved near to the box shop at the shoe factory.

S. N. Buck's school on Otisfield Gore closed last week.

Pine shingles for sale by the Sanborn Bros. at the Falls.

Benj. Tucker has a new milk cart. A nicely painted one too.

C. L. DeCoster has moved into the Holmes rent on Winter Street.

The Brackett Branch store has some splendid bargains. See ad.

Hon. E. Stevens, the Showman, was in town Wednesday.

You better return Trull's whip. This is the third one he has lost.

G. W. Holmes has recently added to his stock in trade a car load of groceries.

The Iron Clad Oil Stove for $2.00 is just what you want. Call and see it at C. G. Mason's.

We would like to see a few copies of the paper printed in this village in 1850 or thereabout.

G. H. Watkins, editor of the Oxford *Democrat* contemplates taking a trip south for a short vacation.

Jackson Clark has a large and varied assortment of boots and shoes. Have you seen the Day Sewed boot?

Mrs. Newton Richardson and two children, of Bethel, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Stearns of this place.

L. H. Denison, assistant cashier of the First National Bank of Crete, Neb., is home on a short visit. He has been absent several years.

Our band is thinking of giving some out-of-doors concerts. They are shortly to commence rehearsing.

C. M. Stearns, esq., of Lovell has been engaged to deliver the Memorial address for Decoration Day.

Any desiring small quantities of Phosphates for garden use can obtain the same at C. G. Mason's. *

D. S. Knowles and wife, of St. Hyacinthe P. Q., has returned from a visit to Machias. They will shortly go to Canada.

Mr. Henry Bean has been chopping wood the past week for Mr. Isaac Noyes. He cut four cords of wood in one day.

S. L. Crockett has a full line of Baby Carriages, Children's Carts, Velocipedes, Hammocks, etc. Call and examine.

E. W. Howe has returned from the city and has opened a full line of Spring and Summer goods. See adv.

Geo. E. Lasselle is to build a two story house on Deering Street, on the lot recently given him by Dr. G. P. Jones.

Mrs. A. B. Chase and Miss A. G. Dunham have just returned from Boston with a full line of choice millinery and fancy goods. See ad.

L. L. Howard makes special contracts in marble and granite work for the next sixty days. Works opposite Pine Grove Cemetery.

Annual meeting of the Norway Pine Grove Cemetery Corporation will be held at the Elm House next Saturday at 7 o'clock p. m.

Geo. A. Cole will be prepared to card cotton next week. If you want to re-batten your comforters bring in the cotton and have it carded.

S. A. Stevens has been putting in some fire hearths in the residence of Freeland Howe. The tileing is very pretty and came from Zanesville, Ohio.

C. B. Cummings is making and selling carriage washers. He is receiving orders from all parts of the State. Stable keepers and others should send to him for sample and price list.

Meeting of Harry Rust Post G. A. R. this Friday eve, May 2nd. The Commander would like at this time to renew the acquaintance of some of the "Boys in Blue."

Dr. William B. Lapham, of Augusta, has been engaged to write the coming history. The doctor now has the history of Paris, Norway, and Bethel on his hands.

The person who shot the dog on the meadow and left him tied to a stake on top of the ground is requested to bury the carcass at once. This will save trouble and expense.

We shall shortly publish a "Personal Reminiscence" of the oldest man in Norway. We have an original story by Miss S. Alma Pendexter which will appear soon also a couple wedding anniversary poems. Mark Tapley is in the field and Uncle Daniel has several articles in the drawer.

J. F. Huntington & Co. have their store filled with spring and summer suits, hats, caps, and furnishing goods. Custom tailoring done to order and garments warranted to fit. Call and examine goods. See ad.

NORWAY LAKE.

Albert Packard cut his foot badly the other day and will laid up three or four weeks.

E. F. Wood, in stepping over a log in the woods, slipped and fell backwards striking on a hemlock knot fracturing a rib and otherwise injuring him.

C. B. Cummings started a little boom of 300,000 timber down the Pennesseewassee early on Monday morning.

The lake cleared of ice early on Sunday morning.

The farmers have commenced plowing, hauling out dressing and sowing early peas.

George Herrick has taken the job of building C. A. Stephens' new stable.

John Cooper of Paris and Freemont Saunders of this town have bought the old Jonathan Pottle farm near Oxford line and moved on to it. The price paid was $1,200.

D. W. Frost is able to be out doors on pleasant days.

C. W. Partridge was a delegate to the Republican District Convention at Lewiston on Tuesday.

Mrs. J. L. Partridge was thrown to the ground last week by an ox coming in contact with the carriage in which she was riding. Fortunately she was but slightly injured.

Monday Robert S. Washburn, partially insane from drink and love, attempted to commit suicide by shooting at Ashen's restaurant, Bangor, Monday

[Communication.]

Incompetency to the Rear.

The article on the condition of Main Street was timely. Something should be done. To our mind the first thing should be to appoint a suitable surveyor. The stolid incompetency of the present incumbent of that office needs no comments. Some live, energetic man who dares to do something should be put in the place of the present * * * Why continue incompetent officers?

The condition of Main Street is a shame and a disgrace to our village. One cannot drive through the village at a moderate rate of speed without danger of being thrown to the ground or the breaking of carriage springs. The foot crossings are from eight to sixteen inches below the road bed and the rest of the road is in "wind rows" wave fashion. Some one has blundered!

At the head of the street, near the bridge is a bog hole. Some one has kindly laid down a board and stuck up a stake as a danger signal for passengers by day. No lantern is placed here nights. The road is practically impassible and should be substantially fenced up and a lantern placed there by night. No such thing is done. Some one is guilty of neglect. Who is it?

Paris Street was almost impassible for a week at a time last winter. It is dangerous. People found fault. No notice was taken of it.

The residents were warned, under heavy penalty not to empty ashes, filth and garbage into the street. It still continues and nothing is done. Why not do something?

Gentlemen in power, please appoint a man that dares to use his own judgment; one who will be at least willing to try to do what the people want done; one with sufficient backbone to enforce the "garbage act" and to permit water unobstructed to run down hill. These things we respectfully ask.

THE PEOPLE.

[The columns of our paper are always open to communications of interest to the public, but not for unwarrantable personal abuse, hence the omission in the above.]—ED.

A Solution to X.'s Problem.

The statement that he sold them at the same rate he bought them is true only in part. It is true the average price was five for two cts, but for thirty he paid ten cts., and for thirty he paid fifteen cents. He sold them all at the rate of 5 for 2 cts. When he has made six sales he has sold one half of his apples, and received but 12 cts. But, he only paid 10 cts. for the same apples, therefore he makes 2 cts. But on the next half of the apples he receives the same. But he paid 15 cts for them, therefore he saves 3 cts, so his loss exceeds his gain by one ct., hence the missing cent. W. L. RUSSELL.

East Stoneham, Maine.

Solutions to the above have been sent in by Dr. J. W. Davis of So. Paris, and A. W. Frost of Norway.

A PROBLEM FOR "X." TO SOLVE.

Three men met at an inn, in Persia; and two of them brought their provision along with them, according to the custom of the country. But the third, not having provided any, proposed that they should eat together, and he would pay the value of his proportion. This being agreed to, A. produced 5 loaves, and B. 3 loaves, all of which the travelers ate together, and C. paid 8 pieces of money as the value of his share, with which the others were satisfied, but quarrelled about the division of it. Upon this the matter was referred to the judge, who decided impartially. What was his decision?

PORTER.

We have just returned from a delightful trip to the "Old Granite State," where we gathered many items of interest, but we are too late to write them up for this issue. You may expect a generous budget for next week.

We are indebted to Miss Addie White for a nice bunch of flowers, the first of the season.

Next time we will send a tongue-twister. That will amuse our Brownfield sister.

WEST STONEHAM.

After a long and painful illness Mrs. Ephriam Durgin died Apr. 16. She leaves a husband and nine children to mourn her loss.

Spring has opened and bids fair to be very early, land all ready for the plow.

There have been a number of cases of scarlet fever in town this spring. P.

Sheriff Adkins of Boone county, West Virginia, has been waylaid and murdered and his body horribly mutilated. The deed was doubtless committed by an organized band of outlaws known as the "James gang."

Mr. J. W. Plaisted, superintendent construction of the Western Union Telegraph Company, will immediately commence to build a telegraph line between Bangor and Bucksport for the use of the Maine Central Railroad.

The house of John Thomas, Fortune Rocks, was entered while he was absent Monday and $170 stolen.

Monday a water spout burst at Dallas, Texas. The water is represented as ten feet on a level. No lives have been lost, but thousands of dollars worth of property have been destroyed. The water caused the river Trinity to run up stream all day Tuesday.

Tuesday there were two explosions in the powder magazine of San Jose, one of the powder, and the other of the gas. Several were killed, and buildings in the neighborhood were much damaged.

The steamer Falmouth was burned at Portland above Railroad wharf, where she has been lying for some time, undergoing repairs, early Tuesday morning. The steamer was almost completely destroyed, and three men lost their lives. About a dozen of the officers and crew slept on board.

The great and mysterious mind reading process, which has caused considerable comment throughout this section has at last been exposed. The trick cannot be done without three envelopes each with a different name enclosed. The operator takes the first envelope which he puts upon his head; after a long pause mixed in with stuttering and stammering he calls a name but always says "I think I am wrong." He then opens the envelope to see if he is right and finds he *is* wrong. He then takes up another envelope which he places upon his head and goes through the same maneuvers as he did before. This time he calls exactly the same name which he read in the first envelope, and so on throughout the entire number of envelopes; always calling the name in the envelope which is upon the operators head like the one in the preceding envelope. As the audience is not allowed to touch or investigate, while this great and sublime slight of hand performance is in operation, hence so easy the deception.

Geo. S. Cooper, a native of Paris, and son of John Cooper, for thirty years chorister of the Baptist church, Paris Hill, was elected mayor of Ionia, Michigan, at the recent election in that city. Mr. Cooper went west soon after he became of age. He is now about 60 years old.

Horatio Austin, Esq., for many years an active man in this county, died at his residence in Holton, April 22d.—His remains were taken to Canton, Thursday. Mr. Austin was Sheriff of Oxford county, and County Treasurer for several years. He removed to Houlton in 1880.—*Democrat.*

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Has just returned from the New York Market, where he has been for the past 10 days, attending the MANUFACTURER'S BIG SALE, and was successful in securing, for cash, the BIGGEST BARGAINS in Dry and Fancy Goods, ever brought into the State of Maine. We have received them, and now every department in our House is crowded to its utmost capacity, with the LATEST, HANDSOMEST and MOST STYLISH Goods to be found in the markets.

Black and Colored Dress Goods!

Silks, Satins, Velvets, Shawls, and Ladies' Outside Garments, a specialty.

For want of space we will not enumerate a lot of prices, but will simply say as we have said before, and proved to a great many's satisfaction, that we can and do defy competition in every department. The enquiry is, and a great many ask the question, "*How can you sell goods so cheap?*" Well, for the benefit of the people in general, we will answer that conundrum in YANKEE FASHION, by asking every sensible person the question, if they would not suppose a concern doing a

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could buy goods cheaper, secure bigger bargains and more of them, and afford to sell cheaper than a small store doing a business of a few thousand yearly? Well, that's the secret of our selling goods so cheap! We run three places of business, carrying at our main Store a stock of *FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS*, doing an immense cash business, which enables us to buy by the solid case, direct of the manufacturers and importers, thereby saving a big percentage to the benefit of our customers. We will right here take this opportunity to thank our many patrons for their very liberal patronage in the past few months.

We still hold out bigger inducements to them than ever before, with the largest stock of Dry and Fancy Goods ever brought into Oxford County, and at prices that will put competition out of the question.

We invite a continuance of your patronage, guaranteeing as in the past, satisfaction in every case, or money refunded in full.

We remain Yours Respectfully,

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Bracketts' Branch Dry & Fancy Goods House,

Opposite Elm House, - - - - Norway, Me.

Wednesday morning, Mr. Googins, a workman on the Boston & Maine, was run over by a hand car and his back broken.

Mr. Cyrus McBride, of Biddeford, attempted to commit suicide Wednesday, and is in a critical condition.

A sensation was created in Toronto, Ont., by the discovery of two powerful dynamite cartridges under the Parliament building.

The cost of Senator Hale's new house at Ellsworth, Me., is reported to be $75,000. It is nearly completed.

In the Pittsfield, N. H., murder trial, ~~the entire forenoon was consumed~~ Tuesday, in a discussion upon the admissibility of certain statements made by Tilton, the murdered man at different times after the shooting. The prosecution claim that these are the dying declarations of the deceased.

Colonel Daniel M. White, of Petersboro, N. H., has been appointed Brigadier General of the State in the National Guard by the Governor and Council.

A French boy named A. Ronco, aged ten years, was drowned in the Kennebec, Saturday night.

Henry Pierce of Fairfield, hung himself, Saturday morning. He had been low spirited for some time.

A fire in Bangor Tuesday night destroyed two dwelling houses on Larkin street, occupied by Jackson L. Savage and John D. Griffin. Savage is insured for $2,300 and Griffin for $1,100. The furniture was partly saved in a damaged condition.

Last Sunday Albert C. Jacobs, of Saco, while working on a staging near a shafting with about twenty others, was caught by his clothing in the shafting, and whirled round with rapidity three minutes before the machinery could be stopped. His right arm was broken, both legs broken in different places, his side crushed in and his neck broken. Life was almost extinct when he was cut down. He was 34 years old, and was to be married next month. —*Sentinel.*

Tuesday forenoon Joseph Cleveland of Norridgewock, went into a field where Henry Atwood was working and handed him his rifle to shoot at a mark. The rifle was accidentally discharged the contents entering Cleveland's left breast, killing him instantly. He was about 25 years old.

FRANCES L. MACE'S POEMS.

All who are interested in the growing and prosperous State of Maine will be pleased to know that within its limits resides one who, without doubt, occupies the some position in regard to our female poets that Longfellow occupied among those of the sterner sex, namely, *at the head.*

Mrs. Frances L. Mace, of Bangor, to whom we refer, has published, through CUPPLES, UPHAN & CO., of Boston, a little volume of poems, entitled "Legends, Lyrics, and sonnets," which is meeting with such widespread favor that the publishers have been obliged to issue a second edition.

A well-known critic, in speaking of this fortunate and gifted authoress, says, that, "in the beauty and grace of her verses, Mrs. Mace is undoubtedly the Mrs. Downing of America."

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BIRTHS.

In So. Casco, April 6, to Mr. and Mrs. Willis H. Rolfe, a son.
In So. Casco, to Mr. and Mrs. Aramanza Doughty, twin daughters.
In Dixfield, April 15, to Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Reynolds, a daughter.
In New Castle, Ind., April 19, to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Maxim, formerly of Buckfield, a daughter.
In Harrison, April 20, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tyler, a son.

MARRIAGES.

In Fryeburg, April 16, by Rev. M. B. Greenhalgh, Wilbur M. Reed of So. Bridgton, and Miss Carrie D. Osgood of Fryeburg.
In Livermore, April 15, by Rev. A. H. Gould, Edward F. Bryant of Livermore, and Matilda L. Gammon of Hartford.
In Rumford Centre, April 27, by Rev. G. B. Hannaford, Walter B. Berry of Andover, and Minnie M. Edmonds of Roxbury.
In Roxbury, March 18, by S. M. Locke, esq., Joseph A. Reed and Miss Katie T. Hyland, both of Byron.

DEATHS.

In Norway, April 27, Maggie Charlena Milner, aged 20 years, 11 months and 15 days.
In Bethel, April 28, Mr. Charles Crooker, aged 84 years.
In Bethel, April 23, Mr. Daniel Dunn, aged 68 years.
In Houlton, April 22, Horatio Austin, esq., formerly of Canton, aged 74 years.
In Sumner, April 24, Mr. Ira Lucas, aged about 55 years.
In Casco, April 19, Mrs. Jarius Gleason.
In Casco, April 19, Eunice Strout, widow of the late Geo. Strout, aged 84 years.
In West Stoneham, April 16, Mrs. Ephraim Durgin, aged 45 years.

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Notice is hereby given that no fishing will be allowed on Gully Brook, so called, below the Everett line.

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Norway, April 22. 3w17

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H. G. VIRGIN, Witness. *3w16

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STATE OF MAINE.

OXFORD, SS.—Paris, April 21st, 1884.

This is to give notice, that on the 21st day of April, A. D. 1884, a warrant in insolvency was issued out of the Court of Insolvency for said County of Oxford, against the estate of Orville D. Clough of Bethel, adjudged to be an insolvent debtor, on peition of said debtor, which petition was filed on the 16th day of April, A. D. 1884, to which last named date interest on claims is to be computed,

That the payment of any debts and the delivery and transfer of any property belonging to said debtor, to him or for his use, and the delivery and transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law:

That a meeting of the creditors of said debtor, to prove their debts, and choose one or more Assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Insolvency, to be holden at Paris, in said county, on the 21st day of May, A. D. 1884, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon.

Given under my hand the date first above written.

ALVAN B. GODWIN, Deputy Sheriff, as Messenger of the Court of Insolvency of said County of Oxford.

HAMBLETONIAN STALLION!

SPIRIT OF '76! Will make the season, ending August 1st, 1884, at the stable of the subscriber.

Address for card giving pedigree, description, terms, &c.

17 S. R. HUTCHINS, Rumford, Me.

Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing under the firm name of Mason Brothers, is this day dissolved by mutual consent, E. S. Mason retiring from the firm. The business will be hereafter conducted by C. G. Mason, who will settle all firm liabilities and collect all debts due said firm.

C. G. MASON,
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Norway, Me., April 24, 1884.

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[From the Canton Telephone.]

CANTON.

There is to be a May ball at Canton House Hall May 1st.

No. Turner will have a May ball at Keen's Hall.

Chas. A. Clark, a thriving dentest of Norway, one of our former schoolmates at Dixfield called at the *Telephone* office Wednesday morning.

The Winslow Packing Co.'s books, at the Canton factory are closed; 150 acres of corn having been secured, which is all they intend to can here.

A sidewalk has been laid from E. Thompson's store up Main street, connecting with the section built last spring. It is a "cross plank," and the most substantial one in the village.

Mrs. Ida Barrows has a beautiful collection of house plants, many of them now in bloom. We were recently shown a geranium, the Cambridge Pet, which has about 350 blossoms and many buds. The plant is but two years old, is trained in graceful form, and altogether the most beautiful one we ever saw.

High water has been on the rampage at the lower dam lately. Sunday the wing dam running under the mill, gave way and the current turned under the mill and old foundery. One end of the foundery settled several inches. Workmen partially repaired the damage and propped up the buildings, Monday.

Mr. H. A. Ellis received a telegram Tuesday announcing the death at Houlton, Me., of Horatio Austin, Esq., formerly of this town. Mr. Austin was once postmaster of Canton, has been High Sheriff and Jailer of Oxford Co., and was well known in this vicinity. It is expected that the remains will arrive this, Wednesday evening, and the funeral will occur Thursday at the residence of C. M. Holland.

The boom at the steam mill is holding a large quantity of logs and poplar, and the mills will start up in a day or two.

Charles Coburn had a blood-vessel burst in his neck while asleep, Tuesday night. The flow of blood strangled him enough to waken him and no serious results followed.

B. A. Swasey lost a dog last winter, while on a hunting expedition up river. He advertised and offerred a reward, but no dog answered. The dog was taken out of the boom the other day, and the finder forthwith claimed the reward.

A. W. Ellis has just finished painting a large band wagon, for Whittier's combination show. On the back is a landscape view, and a lion so very natural that when it growls we fancy the people will only dare to peep from a second story window. You ought to see the lion. He is on exhibition at the rear of this office, till May 1st. By the way, Ellis has all the carriage painting he can do, which, is recommendation enough for any workman.

DIXFIELD.

Wm. W. Abbott is landlord of the National House, Dixfield. The traveling public will find Mr. Abbott a genial and accommodating landlord.

J. S. Harlow, administrator, will sell at auction, the homestead farm and other property of Geo. W. Whitemore, late of Dixfield, on Tuesday, May 6th.

John S. Ludden, an old resident of this town, is in poor health this spring.

EAST DIXFIELD.

W. A. Knapp serves us as school agent for the ensuing year. He has engaged our favorite teacher, Miss Abbie Morse to teach the summer school.

J. H. Wymonth of the firm of S. A. Maxwell and Co., of Bangor has purchased of W. W. Hall & Sons, 12,000 lbs. of wool.

EAST SUMNER.

After a brief trip prospecting in the West, Henry A. Young has finally bought a farm of John Thompson, in Hartford and will soon remove thither Mr. Thompson will reside for the present with his son-in-law, E. E. Fuller, at Livermore.

Daniel Palmer reports finding a young lamb that weighed when a few hours old, 13 lbs.

The Baptist church is soon to have a new bell of 1000 lbs. weight, which will be hailed with delight.

An examination of teachers will occur at West Sumner on Saturday p. m., May 3d. All interested should be present.

[From the Kezar Falls' Record.]

KEZAR FALLS.

High School closes next Thursday.

John S. Newbegin is having his house painted.

E. F. Gentleman has gone to Boston to obtain employment.

Willard Whitten accidentally split one of his thumbs open with an axe.

Dr. Ham intends to start on a three-months' trip along the Kennebec in a few days.

The students of the Piper high school have decided to print a paper.

Rev. A. Turner has had Bowery Beach assigned him as his field of labor the present year.

The Methodist churches at Cornish and Kezar Falls will be supplied by Rev. K. Atkinson during the ensuing year.

Samuel Ridlon lost a valuable steer last Tuesday.

The new machinery is about all in place and running, at the Woolen Mill.

Miss Sarah Lord, daughter of Albert Lord, who has been sick several weeks with inflamatory fever, is very low. A week ago she seemed to be decidedly better, but is now worse.

The music for the past week at the skating rink has been furnished by the Harding family, of W. Baldwin—violin, cornet and organ.

Messrs. Davis and Brooks are building a stable and finishing the house so long occupied by Mr. Sargent, to accommodate another family. Mr. Garner is making extensive alterations in his store building, making room for another family. He also intends to put a new front on the store.

PORTER.

The buildings of David Varney were burned last Saturday. No one except his wife was at home at the time of the fire. Part of the goods were saved. It is understood that there was no insurance.

The fight over building a new school-house in the village district waxes hotter and, as the forces are pretty equally divided, the end is not yet.

Mrs. John W. Rice has a bedspread that contains 999 pieces, and no two alike. Mrs. R. G. Heard has a work basket that was a wedding present to her grandmother some seventy-five years ago. Mrs. Joseph T. Rice has a gold necklace that has been in the family for four generations, having belonged to her great-grandmother when a small girl. The beads are worn to about one-half their usual size.

The first requisition for a juror from this town was made in May, 1816, and Wm. French was drawn to attend the United States Court, held at Portland. On the 20th of May, 1816, a vote was taken for separation from Mass., and was passed by a vote of 46 to nothing. In September following, the vote was taken again and the result was 37 for and 8 against. The town meetings were held in the house or barn of James Coffin until Nov. 2, 1812. It was then held in the school-house in the first district until Nov. 1, 1824. From that time the north meeting-house became the town house and has remained so up to the present time.

BROWNFIELD.

Mr. E. B. Bean has planted his early peas.

John Rogers sold his house to Mr. Pike, of Cornish.

Frank Bean and wife, of Kansas, are here on a visit. He is the son of Sylvanus B. Bean, and has been gone 17 years.

Mrs. Hersey, of Auburn, who has been stopping with her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Dresser, died very suddenly last Saturday, of pneumonia. Her remains were taken to Hallowell for burial.

The buildings of George Wakefield were burned Wednesday night.

HIRAM.

George R. Bean, esq., of Denmark, has bought the farm of Thompson R. Cotton, consisting of 25 acres; and he has bought of Messrs. A. & P. B. Young the Living L. Cotton farm of 25 acres. They are situated on Hiram Hill adjacent to each other.

At a republican caucus, April 19th, L. A. Wadsworth was chosen chairman, and Peter B. Young, secretary. The following is a list of delegates to the District Convention and the State Convention, viz, Hon. Peter B. Young, Hon. Charles E. Hubbard, and Charles F. Wadsworth, esq.

Last week Mr. Daniel Ordway was summoned by telegram from Brockton, Mass., on account of the dangerous illness of his child. He reached Portland at 8 p. m. Saturday, and on Sunday walked to Hiram, a distance of 36 miles. His child is now better. He intends to remove to Brockton with his family next week.

Mr. Samuel N. Adams recently pulled up a parsnip 21½ feet long, and 7 inches in circumference at the large end.

The water, on the 21st, stood on three sides of the corn-shop. On the county road near Eli Clemons', it reaches within 5 feet of the high water mark of April, 1870.

Mr. P. T. Wadsworth has without doubt the best flock of lambs in Oxford county. They are from 6 to 8 weeks old and weigh from 45 to 60 lbs. Nine of them have been sold for $40. Three of the number sold for $5 each.

[From the Bridgton News.]

HARRISON.

An old folks concert and antiquarian supper is under consideration.

Walter Dudley has completed his new house and moved therein.

Tolman and Bray are manufacturing spring beds—The Monitor.

The village school is to be graded and a new school house to be built during the summer, in season for the fall school.

Emery & Gerry are now employing eight hands in their shop, and are fitting up new rooms for their business.

Cyrus Scribner has one of the best shingle machines in the country, a Lane machine made at Montpelier, Vt.

About 300,000 feet of logs went over Scribner's Falls, Crooked river, last week during the high water, and came near carrying away the bridge. Half of these logs were the property of Dr. Weston and others. They had not been surveyed, and were supposed to be securely bound above the dam, but the boom gave out and they went on their winding way down among the intervales of South Harrison, where the owners will have a sorry task finding, identifying, and getting them into the main river. Green of Edes' Falls had bought the timber of Weston and others.

A terrific scare occurred at H. P. Kneeland's the other night, caused by the burning out of a chimney, the house very narrowly escaping a general *conflagration*. Look out for the sooty chimneys!

The South Boston Inquirer has the following concerning an ex-Harrison man: "The wife of Hon. Robert Johnson has presented him with twelve pounds of youthful humanity, and he is delighted because it is a boy. We tender our congratulations."

Albion Carsley, while at work on his land, at quite a distance from his buildings, dug up a hammer and pinchers which he lent to a neighbor seven years before and had been missing ever since. Query, how came they thus and there?

Rev. S. D. Brown, goes from Naples to the Shapleigh, Acton and West Newfield M. E. charges.

WATERFORD.

G. H. Billings is at Aldrich, Minn. Talks of taking up a farm. He is stopping with his uncle J. D. Billings.

The basket factory is in full blast, day and night.

North Waterford is in trouble over her two school agents. We are not advised as to details—and don't care to be.

EAST BROWNFIELD.

I was much interested in Mr. Hoyt's "Legend of Chocorua" in last week's issue. It is a romantic story of that grand old mountain which is interesting to the geologist as well as to the seeker after legendary lore. Scientists have declared that valuable minerals exist in the mountain in considerable quantities. In proof of this we have the story of an old resident of the town of Albany, N. H., in which town the mountain stands. He says that he was once on the mountain trying to find a spotted tree which marked the corner of a tract of land. While wandering around in his search he came upon a ledge having a broad seam running through it; some unusual appearance of the rock attracted his attention and after examining it, he knocked off a fragment with his ax. This fragment he afterwards carried to Portsmouth where it was essayed and found to be an exceedingly rich specimen of silver ore. He afterwards returned and spent considerable time in hunting for the place where he obtained the rock but was never able to find it; others have hunted also but to no purpose. The early settlers of the town said that the Indians were acquainted with the treasures of the mountain and were accustomed to draw from its resources, but would never reveal to the white men the places where the silver could be found. Possibly the spirit of the revengeful old chief still guards the secret and prevents the pale face from receiving the benefit of Chocorua's hidden riches. Another curious circumstance is that the town of Albany has suffered in a way that must be very satisfactory to the old heathen who is said to howl around his native mountain on the night of the 30th of June. The crops raised will not pay for tilling the ground, and it is almost impossible to raise live stock of any kind, in that section. Chocorna called down "murrain upon your flocks and herds," and it comes in the shape of that cattle disease known throughout Carroll County as Burtonail, which attacks all cattle drinking the water of rivers or springs in Albany or fed on hay grown in that town. The disease took its name from the town which was formerly called Burton. Superstition points to the old Indian's curse as the cause of these afflictions; but science declares the cause to be the unusual mineral properties of the water and soil. Albany seems to be God forsaken in every way. There's not a church, store or physician in the place, and there never has until recently been a post-office in town. There are six school houses, and a term of school is kept in each of them about once in two or three years. The men work in the logging woods, that is, those who don't feel above labor, while the women work on "salework" and take care of their children. The only professional man that could thrive there would be a lawyer, and he would probably have his hands full with assault and battery cases, divorce cases, etc. There's a good opening for some legal gentleman. Don't all speak at once.

I have somewhere seen a poetical version of Chocorua's curse, which I should like to see again. If any one is in possession of a copy, will he please favor the rest of us through the columns of the ADVERTISER? BROWNIE.

The Cooking School.

The average girl at marriage is well instructed in sewing. To take her place at the head of a family without a fair knowledge of this useful household art, would be to disgrace her mother and herself in the minds of all their acquaintances. The average young bride goes to a home of her own with a few practical ideas on a matter which will have to come before her thrice a day, and one in which the health and general prosperity of herself and others most essentially depend. Then, if ever she acquires even a passable skill in cookery it will doubtlessly be through much wasting and worrying and manifold non-success. Meantime dyspepsia, or other evil angel, is lurking in the shadow of her table. To the young wife and housekeeper so circumstanced half the terrors of the kitchen are at once removed by the introduction of the ever-ready, always reliable, Royal Baking Powder. With its proper use there can never be failure in bread, biscuit or cake, while the perfect healthfulness of the food produced is likewise so well assured that all who partake may defiantly snap their fingers in the face of old Dyspepsia. This point gained, the victory over inexperience and bad luck in other things is speedily won. The Royal Baking Powder, on account of its superior powers as a leavening agent, the great facility with which it may be used, its proved economy, and its thoroughly established wholesomeness and purity as established by the tests of government chemists and others, has become the general substitute for cream of tartar and soda in the making of nice, sweet, light, flaky, digestible bread, biscuit, etc. With its use, the young mistress of the house may take a pardonable pride in the work of her hands.

St. Nicholas for May is a notable number in its contributors and in their contributions. J. T. Trowbridge opens the second part of the volume with a new serial story of the strange adventures of a young naturalist, entitled "The Scarlet Tanager"; Maurice Thompson, an authority on all out-of-door matters, also begins a six months' serial, called "Marvin and his Boy Hunters," an account of out-of-door sport from Indiana to Florida, and Mayne Reid's thrilling story, "The Land of Fire," is brought to a satisfactory conclusion in four interesting chapters. Elizabeth Stuart Phelps contributes an article with the suggestive title, "Supporting Herself." Louisa M. Alcott's fifth "Spinning-wheel Story," "Little Things," is a capital girl's story of the times when our great-grandmamas were young; and E. S. Brooks tells graphically of "Olaf of Norway: The Boy Viking," another Historic Boy."

The Little Ones and the Nursery for May has The story of King Midas, I spy, The Eider Duck, Our Parrot, Margie's Lesson, Neath the Shingle, Stealing a Ride, Bad Sir Moses, Snowball and the Lobster, The Little Pedlers, Georgie and the Geese, Seven Years Old, The Flies' Nest, Snow O' the May, and many others beautifully illustrated and easy and beautiful stories for children.

In the May *Century* is a portrait of a famous warrior, "Chief Joseph, the Nez-Perce," whose character and valor are picturesquely described by Lieut. C. E. S. Wood. Henry James' new story is begun in this number. The title character, "Lady Barbarina," is the charming daughter of an English marquis, and the hero, Jackson Lemon, is a young American millionaire who makes a pretense of practicing medicine. It is clear from the first part of the story that the novelist has undertaken to describe a new phase of international society. The short story of the number is "Rose Madder," an illustrated romance of artist life. Mr. Cable contributes the seventh part of "Dr. Sevier," and Robert Grant's story of "An Average Man," approaches its interesting conclusion. In timely essays, the May number is unusually rich. Thomas Hughes writes of "Trades-unionism" in England; Mrs. Helen Jackson (H. H.) makes a clear statement of the religious convictions and consolations of the Mormon women in an article entitled "The Women of the Bee-Hive;" John Burroughs writes suggestively of "British Fertility;" and Frank R. Stockton satirizes the growing tyranny of children in a short essay "On the Training of Parents."

Orange Judd, Editor of the *American Agriculturist* for some thirty years, but unconnected with its business management for a year or two past, has lately retired from its editorial department and located in the West. He desires to gather a complete *"Postal-Card Album"* of his old Readers and Friends, and requests them all to send him now a Postal giving their present location and address, naming also, when convenient, the years in which they were his subscribers. Mr. Judd's address is Chicago, Illinois.

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Capt. John Traynor, who started from Bath Apr. 5 in a dory, arrived at New York Apr. 26.

Russell Bros. & Estes have signed a bond to establish at Farmington, a manufactory for druggists' boxes and variety turning, with an investment of $25,000.

April 27th there was a cyclone at Jamestown, Ohio. Six persons were killed, and two-thirds of the town ruined.

The new skating rink in Lewiston, will undoubtedly be the finest in Maine. 10,000 feet of yellow birch are required for the floor. The interior of the building is nearly finished. A handsome gallery fills in the South end of the rink above the dressing rooms, ticket offices and skate room.—*Journal.*

The Western Union Telegraph Company has made a reduction of rates for night messages. The new rates are 15 cents for 10 words and one cent for each additional word between all competitive points east of the Missouri river. There is no change in the charges for day messages. The Union Mutual established the same rates some time ago.

In Western Texas cattle are suffering and a large number dying for the want of grass and water. The drought is very severe. Caterpillars have appeared and are destroying all vegetation.

Saturday morning Mrs. Amelia Barrett of Phillipsburg, Pa., an insane woman, cut her two children's throats and then cut her own. The older child died in a few minutes, and the younger and the mother are mortally wounded.

The proprietors of the Crawford, Mt. Pleasant and Twin Mountain houses; the Glen House and Fabyan and Profile House have made arrangements not to open their houses this season until June 25.

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AN AFRICAN MARKET.

Market days are generally held every four or every eight days. The natives come a hundred miles to attend one of these big markets, and there are generally several thousands present, buying and selling. They bring their fowls most carefully packed in long wicker cages, fastened between two stout poles converging at each end. Eggs are usually carried in large, finely plaited baskets, indeed, some of the basket-work is so tightly made that it will hold water. The natives also sell fresh vegetables (pumpkins, sweet potatoes, and even a wild cabbage), bananas, plantains, pineapples, ground-nuts, sugar-cane, maize, kola-nut, tobacco and "kikwanga." Kikwanga needs a word of special mention, it is such an important article of consumption in the Congo *menu*. The root of the manioc, or cassada, a very ancient introduction from Brazil, is taken and pounded into a fine white pulp. This is left to soak for about twenty-four hours in running water (possibly to rid the substance of a certain acrid poison, attributed to the root), and it is then allowed to ferment. When worked up into a consistence of stiff dough it is divided into portions, and each portion is wrapped up in a large green leaf until wanted for cooking. Kikwanga tastes and looks like sour dough, but it is highly nutritive. The best way of eating it is to cut it into very thin slices, and eat these fried in butter, or, if butter be not procurable, in ground-nut oil, which is almost indistinguishable from the best olive oil. Sheep, goats and innumerable fowls are sold, and ever at times, Muscovy ducks. The latter bird is another gift from rich America to needy Africa, and was introduced into the West Coast, in common with maize, manioc, pineapples, sugarcane, ground-nuts, and many other useful alimentary additions to African diet by the Portuguese, to whom, in my opinion, Africa owes a deep debt of gratitude. Nor ought we to forget that it is to this enterprising people we owe the first knowledge of the tea plant, the orange and the lime. An African market with so many commodities to sell, and so many eager sellers and buyers is a most animated scene. The din of voices may be heard afar off, and when you enter the great open square, where, under the shade of great trees, perhaps a thousand people are disposed in little chaffering groups round their heaps of wares, it is worse than the parrot-house of the Zoological Gardens. The women are the keenest traders. They haggle and scream and expostulate and chuckle aside over their bargains, while the hulking men lounge about in good humored listlessness, or squat in rows stolidly smoking. Although the strife of tongues is great, few real quarrels occur. There is in most cases a chief of the market, perhaps an old Fetish man, who regulates all disputes, and who so heavily fines both litigants that all use chary of provoking his arbitration. This Babel lasts but one day, and then for the rest of the week the market-place is void and desolate; only the old wicker baskets, banana-husks, corn-shucks, feathers and egg-shells remain to witness the great assemblage that has taken place.

AFRICAN ANTS.

The bashikonai ants must be a terrible plague. They travel, we are told, night and day, in armies miles long. The elephant and gorilla fly before them; the black man runs for his life so soon as the ants are seen. It is related by a traveler that as he was going up one of the mouths of the Zambesi, he saw a whole village suddenly deserted by the inhabitants, who fled with all they could carry off, a proceeding which, as there was no foe in sight, rather puzzled him, till he found they were fleeing from the ants. When these ants enter a hut, they clear it of every living thing in a few minutes. Huge cockroaches, almost as large as mice, centipedes, mice and rats, are instantly devoured. A strong rat is killed in less than a minute, and in another minute its bones are picked. A leopard, dog or deer is soon despatched and devoured, for they kill by their numbers. They are quite half an inch long, and one variety is so strong that it will bite pieces clean out of the flesh. They possess, however, one meritorious quality—they mortally hate and, whenever they can, put to death the mischievous white ants which make such destruction in houses. In addition to these and the sand-ants, which bite like scorpions, leaving a distressing pain behind them, there are several varieties of flies which sting horribly, such as the igogonai—small gnats—whose bites go through the tough hide of the negroes, causing a terrible itch; the ibolai—flies or gnats—which sting as though with a needle, and whistle as they dash at you; the richouma, which fill themselves with your blood before you know they are there, and then leave an itching that lasts for hours, varied at intervals by certain sharp stabs of pain; the sloway, or nest-building flies, not quite so big as a bee, which cling to a man even in the water, and assail the natives with such ferocity that if a canoe, by chance, touch one of their nests, the men instantly dive overboard.

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OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate, held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of April, A.D. 1884.

C. W. PARTRIDGE, named Executor on a certain instrument purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Thomas Austin, late of Norway, in said county, deceased, having presented the same for probate; and praying for the appointment of George Austin, Administor with the will annexed:

ORDERED, That the said Executor give notice to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Advertiser, printed at Norway, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, in said county, on the third Tuesday of May next, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the said Instrument should not be proved, approved and allowed as the last Will and Testament of said deceased. GEO. A. WILSON, Judge.

A true copy—Attest: H. C. DAVIS, Register.

OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of April, A. D. 1884.

MARY B. LUNT, Administratrix on the estate of Dean Lunt, late of Peru, in said County, deceased, having presented her account of administration of the Estate of said deceased for allowance:

ORDERED, That the said Administratrix give notice to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Advertiser, printed at Norway, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, in said county, on the third Tuesday of May next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and shew cause, if any they have, why the same should not be allowed. GEO. A. WILSON, Judge.

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OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, on the third Tuesday of April, A. D 1884.

Peter N. Haskell, Guardian of Horace E. Allen, minor child and heir of William A. Allen, late of Waterford, in said County having presented his account of guardianship of said ward for allowance:

ORDERED, That said Guardian give notice to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published 3 weeks successively in the Oxford County Advertiser, printed, at Norway, that they may appear at a Court of Probate to be held at Paris, in said county, on the third Tuesday of May next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be allowed. GEO. A. WILSON, Judge.

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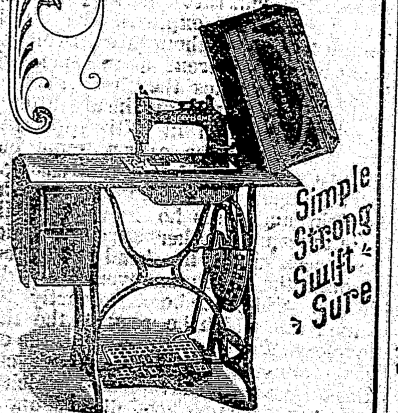
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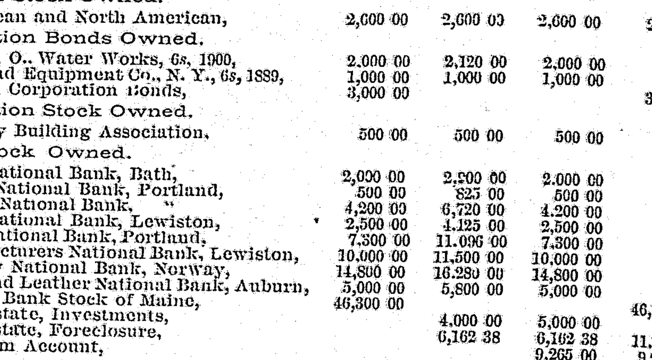
LIABILITIES:

Deposits,	$160,266 22
Reserved Fund,	6,500 00
Profits,	3,683 53
	$170,449 75

RESOURCES.	Par Value.	Estimated and Market Value.	Charged on Books.	
Public Funds Owned.				
State of Maine Bonds, 6s, 1889,	$200 00	$226 00	$200 00	
Town of Canton, 5s, 1885,	800 00	800 00	800 00	
Total Public Funds of Maine,	1,000 00			$1,000 00
County of Jay, Ind., 6s, Gravel Road, 1886-1887,	1,000 00	1,020 00	1,000 00	
City of Fort Madison, Ia., 5s Fund, 1902,	4,000 00	4,240 00	4,000 00	
City of La Porte, Ind., 7s, Wa., 1890,	500 00	550 00	500 00	
Total Public Funds out of New England,	5,500 00			5,500 00
Railroad Stock Owned.				
European and North American,	2,000 00	2,600 00	2,600 00	2,600 00
Corporation Bonds Owned.				
Akron, O., Water Works, 6s, 1900,	2,000 00	2,120 00	2,000 00	
Railroad Equipment Co., N. Y., 6s, 1889,	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	
Total Corporation Bonds,	3,000 00			3,000 00
Corporation Stock Owned.				
Norway Building Association,	500 00	500 00	500 00	500 00
Bank Stock Owned.				
Bath National Bank, Bath,	2,000 00	2,200 00	2,000 00	
Canal National Bank, Portland,	500 00	825 00	500 00	
Casco, National Bank, "	4,200 00	6,720 00	4,200 00	
First National Bank, Lewiston,	2,500 00	4,125 00	2,500 00	
First National Bank, Portland,	7,300 00	11,096 00	7,300 00	
Manufacturers National Bank, Lewiston,	10,000 00	11,500 00	10,000 00	
Norway National Bank, Norway,	14,800 00	16,280 00	14,800 00	
Shoe and Leather National Bank, Auburn,	5,000 00	5,800 00	5,000 00	
Total Bank Stock of Maine,	46,300 00			46,300 00
Real Estate, Investments,		4,000 00	5,000 00	
Real Estate, Foreclosure,		6,162 38	6,162 38	11,162 38
Premium Account,			9,265 00	9,265 00
Loans on Savings Bank Books.				
Norway Savings Bank,		1,390 00	1,390 00	1,390 00
Loans on Corporation Stock.				
Norway Building Association,		700 00	700 00	700 00
Loans on other Personal Property,		2,653 00	2,885 00	2,885 00
Loans on Municipalities.				
Town of Norway (orders)		2,200 00	2,200 00	2,200 00
Loans to Corporations—1st Universalist Parish, Norway,		900 00	900 00	900 00
Loans on Mortgages of Real Estate,		70,220 20	73,523 31	73,523 31
Cash on deposit in Norway National Bank, at 3 per cent.,		8,331 59	8,331 59	
Cash on hand,		1,192 47	1,192 47	9,524 06
				$170,449 75
Unpaid Accrued interest,		3,731 48		
		$173,783 12		
Due depositors and including other liabilities,		163,746 22		
Surplus above all liabilities,		$10,036 90		

Rate of interest charged on loans, 6 to 7 per cent. Annual expenses, $500.

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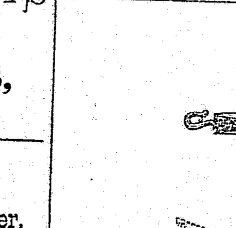
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